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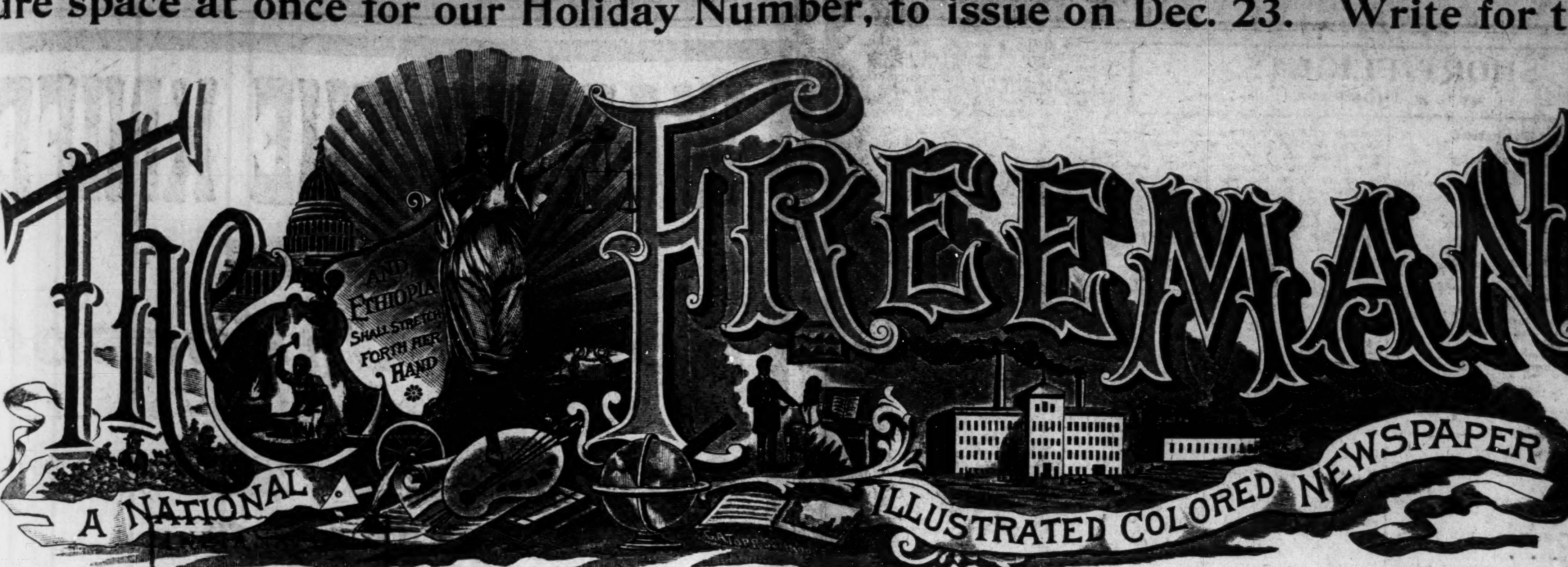
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AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

A GLIMPSE OF "TUSKEGEE OF NORTH CAROLINA"

AMPHION GLEE CLUB'S SONG RECITAL

Founder A. L. E. Weeks Opens a Campaign on the Atlantic Seaboard—Tuskegee Negro Conference a "Red-Letter" Event.

(Thompson's National News Bureau.)

WASHINGTON, November 23.—"The Tuskegee of North Carolina" has occupied the spotlight in the District during the past ten days. Rev. A. L. E. Weeks, president and founder of the New Bern Collegiate Industrial Institute, which has come to be known by the foregoong title, has been in the city for several days, telling our people of note about his school and emphasizing the influence of the thorough courses of instruction in agrirulture, industries, domestoc science, theology and the various branches that make for the practical uplift of the young colored women of the South. Dr. Weeks was accompanied by his wire, Mrs. A. L. E. Weeks, assistant principal and teacher, who has spoken at several of our leading churches in behalf of the onstitution. They are opening what is to be a vigorous campaign of the Atlantic seaboard to raise within the next month a much-needed sum of money to insure the erection of three buildings at the school for dormotories and class rooms. The institution is now crowded to its fullest capacity and additional space is required to accommodate many students who would like to take advantage of the loberal opportunities it has to offer. From here Dr. and Mrs. Weeks go to Philadelphia, New York and Boston, and they expect the Thanksgiving period to be one of harvest for the New Bern Collegiate Institute.

The Institute's Splendid Showing.

The Industrial Collegiate Institute is located at a new Negro settlement, established by Dr. Weeks, called Booker, in honor of Dr. Booker T. Washington, after whose marvelous Alabama municipality it is modeled, and it is surrounded by 1,000 acres of rich land, much of it in timber. About half of it is cleared. Booker os three miles west of Newbern, finely situated on the Neuse river, with an advantageous water front.

"Our school has a great future," said Dr. Weeks. "We have in view not only the development of a big school, but it is our purpose to build a settlement of comfortable homes, where our young people can make permanent opportunities for themselves in the various industries which we teach. With the institute as a nucleus, a manufacturing and industrial center can be developed, furnishing an independent living for hundreds and thousands of thrifty Negroes. For instance, we have made this year over 400,000 brick in our brickyard, and have contracts for 250,000 more, that will be delivered by December 1. For lack of facilities we were compelled to refuse a contract calling for 450,000 brick, in addition to the above. We are now booking orders for the spring delivery, and the firms we have supplied say the brick is of a superior grade.

"We have a sawmill also that is bringing excellent returns, and the receipts from our lumber have reached a gratifying figure. Our sixty-two boarding students hail from North Carolina and neighboring States, and are combining a literary training with a solid experience in the fundamentals of the art of making a living. The land is worth not less than $50,000. We have raised $13,275 in North Carolina alone, and assurances of increased aid from State and county sources are coming in all the time. On this campaign we are trying to raise an immediate $5,000, which is needed to push the work on three dormitory and classroom buildings, each costing $15,000. When completed our work will go with a boom. In the next month we shall visit the strong friends of the race in Philadelphia, New York and Boston. At New York Rev. J. T. Kerr, our northern financial agent, has made an excellent impression, and is meeting with success in securing cash donations from substantial business men.

"Our faculty embraces a number of thoroughly equipped instructors. The instructor in brickmaking is Thomas M. Moreland; in bricklaying we have Julius F. Freeman; at the head of the farm is that skilled agriculturist, W. W. Hayes. All three of these are graduates of Tuskegee Institute, and come highly recommended by Dr. Washington. Mrs. Nina B. Hayes, a graduate of the North Carolina State Normal School; G. R. Whitfield and Rev. J. T. Kerr, both graduates of Lincoln University; Mrs. Alice B. Kerr, from Scotia Seminary, and Mrs. Weeks and myself are members of the faculty. Mrs. Weeks teaches domestic science when not in the field lecturing for the school.

"When we return home for the Christmas holidays we shall have some good news for all lovers of race progress."

Amphion Glee Club's Song Recital.

An audience that almost filled the spacious Metropolitan A. M. E. church greeted the popular Amphion Glee Club last Thursday on the occasion of the club's annual song recital. Prof. J. Henry Lewis, noted for his able direction of "The Pirates of Penzance" and other standard operas, wielded the baton wit hcharacteristic grace and effectiveness. Throughout the club's twenty years of existence Prof. Lewis has been director and business manager, and they have sung before presidents of the United States, members of the Supreme Court, the Cabinet, Senate and House and of the diplomatic corps. The program on Thursday evening was remarkably well balanced, and was of a high order of merit. Mrs. Emma Williams, a new star in Washington's dramatic firmament, scored a hit in her artistic reading of "Ginevra," and was compelled to respond to an encore. Prof. Lewis is proud of his "discovery," and Mrs. Williams is already in great demand for recitals. Mrs. Lucy A. Blagburn sang Arditi's "Magnetic Waltz," and Mrs. Eva Belle Height rendered "Sing, Sweet Bird." "The Elf," with obligato by Mr. E. N. Broadnax; "My Hero," from "The Chocolate Soldier," led by Mr. Carey A. Robinson, and the Amphion Quartet—Messrs. Walker, Morton, Brown and Dean—in "Until the Dawn" and "While I Have You," gave a finished rendition. The concerted numbers were especially fine. "Good Night, Beloved," closed one of the very best programs the Amphions have ever presented in this city. Mr. William Braxton was accompanist and Miss Marie A. D. Madre was chairman of the committee representing the church.

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The Tuskegee Negro Farmers' Conference.

There is always deep interest manifested in this neck o' the woods in the Tuskegee Negro Farmers' and Workers' Conference, and this year will be no exception to the rule. The sessions open January 17 and continue two days. The simple stories of the manner in which the colored farmers acquired their lands and developed their crops is encouraging to every one who knows the value of industry, thrift and persistence in well-doing, and the workers' exchange of views on the second day, when representatives of the schools, churches and business forces get together for practical discussion, is a highly profitable affair. A goodly contingent will go to Tuskegee Institute from the East, and they invariably return enthusiastic over all they have seen and heard. Visitors to the conference are entertained as the guests of the school. Dr. Booker T. Washington will give them a warm welcome in person, as he makes it a rule to be present at these meetings each year.

With the Sunday School Congress to come to Tuskegee next June and the National Medical Association to follow in August, 1912 promises to be a banner year at this great institution.

Jeanes Fund Board to Meet.

It is definitely announced that the board in charge of the million-dollar fund set apart by Miss Anna T. Jeanes for the benefit of the rural schools of the South will meet at the White House December 14. The report of the year's work will be heard and many recommendations will be considered. Dr. Washington will be here. President Taft is a member of the board, and has evinced a constant interest in the progress of the work the board is carrying on. The vacancy caused by the death of Bishop Grant will be filled. Bishop G. W. Clinton, of the A. M. E. Zion Church; Bishop Elias Cottrell, of the C. M. E. Church, and Prof. H. T. Kealing, president of the Western University, at Quindaro, Kans., are mentioned as possibility for the place. The colored members of the board, besides Dr. Washington, are Hon. J. C. Napier, Major R. R. Moton and R. L. Smith, of Texas.

Getting Ready for Lewis Reception.

Arrangements are rapidly being perfected for the reception in honor of Assistant Attorney General W. H. Lewis, announced to take place at the True Reformers' Hall, Monday evening, November 27. The invitations are in great demand, and already a sufficient number of responses have been received by the committee to guarantee the success of the function on the magnificent scale designed by the promoters. The features are being worked out by a group of artists, and the occasion will amply repay the many guests who will come from abroad to assist in honoring Mr. Lewis. The committee on reception is made up as follows: Lieut. T. H. R. Clarke, L. M. Hershaw, C. J. Pickett, Charles E. Hall, Dr. C. Sumner Wormley, Major Charles R. Douglass, Daniel Murray, Dr. William L. Board, W. T. S. Jackson, Henry Lincoln Johnson, J. C. Napier, Dr. George W. Cabaniss, Dr. A. M. Curtis, Prof. Kelly Miller, R. W. Thompson, R. C. Bruce, Oliver Randolph, Ralph W. Tyler, R. H. Terrell, James A. Cobb, W. Calvin Chase, Prof. E. C. Williams, E. M. Hewlett, Dr. Henry W. Freeman, Joseph H. Stewart and F H. M. Murray.

President Taft at Work on Message.

President Taft is again at his post at the White House, after his long tour of the country, and is hard at work on his annual message to Congress. That he will take high ground on the tariff, trusts, cost of living, and all of the questions that affect the plain people goes without saying. The colored citizens expect a ringing denunciation of the lynching evil, along with his other declarations for the public weal. The document will be the most significant and comprehensive state paper that has come from the White House during President Taft's incumbency. It will be read with interest by every American.

That President Taft is stronger with the people, white and black, by reason of his meeting face to face and speaking frankly to the hundreds of thousands of his fellow-citizens, all will have to agree.

At Bethel Literary Society.

Mr. Joseph C. Manning, of Birmingham, Ala., was the speaker at the meeting of the Bethel Literary and Historical Association Tuesday evening, dwelling at length on the race questions of the day. He contended for manhood suffrage, for civic equality, and kept entirely away from the reference which laid him open to criticism on the occasion of his visit to the society last spring. Mrs. Emme Lee Williamson, the talented elocutionist, gave a reading, which was well received. Prof. J. Henry Lewis conducted the music. Tuesday evening, November 28, Miss Nannie H. Burroughs will be the speaker. Much interest is being manifested in the coming of Dr. James E, Shepard, who is announced for January 23. He will outline the plan for the National Religious Training School, which he founded at Durham, N. C., and present the details of his proposed Ministerial Conference, called for next July, when the ministers of the country will go to Durham as the guests of Dr. Shepard's unique school. President D. J. Jordan, of ittrell College, Kittrell, N. C., and Bishop L. J. Coppin are among the early attractions at Bethel. Mr. A. D. Washington is having a successful administration.

R. W. THOMPSON..

UNCLE MOSE'S THANKSGING PRAYER.

By Tim E. Owsley.

Law'd erpon ma bended knees, ah bows ma head to pray,
Ma money's scarce an' grub am high, 'twill soon be Thanksgibbin' day.
Lawd, some folks ain't 'tickler just what dey'll hab ter eat
Long ez dey kin wah good clothes an' keep shoes on dey feet.
Some lak ham an' cabbage, Lawd, an' some lak chicken stew,
But ma appetite calls fer tu'key, Lawd, an' nuffin' else will do.
So, Lawd, when yo' send yo' angels down ter stribbite 'mongst de po'
Tell 'em ah got rheumaticks, Lawd, so bring mine to de do'.
Lawd, I hope ah ain't axe yo' too much while on ma' knees I'se bent,
Though I 'spects dat tu'key Thanksgibben day fer yer sa'vant, Mose, A-ment.

DALLAS, TEXAS.

Churches, Societies, Clubs and Business Ready for Thanksgiving Day.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The schools of the city are showing a very large attendance and much interest is being shown by the teachers in the pupils under them. It is gratifying to the many parents to note the greatly improved methods that are advanced to better the pupils' minds on advanced studies of the various grades now being taught in the public schools, and teachers who are elected by qualification and efficiency to take charge of the different grades now being taught in the public svhools of Dallas. The Freeman calls attention to the night school for all ages, and a great help it is to hundreds of our people in all parts of the city. Many are taking advantage of this golden opportunity and are making good and many more should do so, as it is a plain common duty to one and all that education is one essential point to the uplift of the race, and a maker of nobler men, women and children....Everywhere we note much interest these days while on our daily rounds here and there among some of the young men in business. They are striving hard to make it, Will you, a member of the race, help them.....A girl baby is now at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Kencheon and Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Mayes. Mothers are doing nicely....A visit to the new Busy Bee cafe will convince one and all that clean, wholesome foods are served all the time. Everything new, and the cleanliness of the waitresses is in keeping with all that goes to make you enjoy whatever you eat with us. Open day and night. Cooking is all right. 2407½ Main street. Will Ramsey, proprietor......Mr. William Sonders made a brief visit to San Antonio on pleasure....Mr. James R. Sanders paid his mother and friends a visit at Marshall, also transacted business....Mrs. Walter Scott is home from an extended visit in southern Texas, visiting several towns and commercial centers of the state....Mrs. F. J. Johnson, of Marshall, returned home, after a week's stay here visiting her son and Mrs. Mattie Johnon, on Ball treet.... Mr. Billie George's place. Just what you want when in the city. Upto-date service. Pleasure, the kind you like and just what you want. Everything in my line served in first-class style at live and let live prices. See me when in need of choice drinks and good things to eat, at all times. 2826 and 2830 Elm street. Bar and cafe ....Mr. Green Brown paid his friends a visit at Waco, and reports having had the time of his life while there. He is now bubbling over with good cheer for the attention paid him while in the east....Mr. George A. Brown, who owns two up-to-date bars on Elm street, at 2538 and 2626 has just received a complete shipment of bottled and bonded goods of the best qualities for family use or anywhere else you care to use it. It is from several leading distilleries, which will enable him to suit and supply your wants for the holidays, and will save each purchaser money. Call and examine stock. Sample rooms open day and night....We note a greater tendency among the porters, butlers, waiters, cooks, bus boys, shop boys and workers of every calling here in Dallas to read The Freeman and other Negro literature, which is gratifying to let the world know that the Negro is educationally advancing and to know it by reading it themselves....Your money will get you just what you want to eat and drink and the very best that the market affords, as cheap as the cheapest to your heart's content. Quick service. Polite attendants at low prices. Yours, day and night, C. L. Letheridge, proprietor, 2623 Deep Elm....Captain H. J. Jackson built a handsome $2,000 residence. Others are inspired and are doing much improvement. A new big block is the Lowery and Sons' modern flats on South Pearl street....Mr. Alex. Richardson, undertaker, spent several days here, taking the examination for embalming in his city, Texarkana, Ark., and Texas.... These are rough nights and days for the crap shooting element in Dallas....See Wm. Griffin when your gasoline lights don't work. He makes them illuminate your place to satisfaction....See Walter Scott, at Volka Place No. 2, for wet goods ....The mens forward movement toward better christianhomes is being largely attended at each meeting....Your taxes are now due. Pay them, so you can vote on all questions that will come up next year. ....Messrs. T. S. E. Brown, Jim C. Snider and Charles Johnson have opened a new club, corner Young and Market street, for members only......Lowery and Son, the pioneer grocers, invite the public to call at thei rnew home for cheap, choice groceries at low down prices that will suit your pocketbook in every way when compared with the high cost of living. They invite the public to inspect their new, up-to-date stock of goods before going elsewhere. They will meet all competitors, corner East Cadiz and South Pearl streets. ....Mr. J. Carney is home from New York and is running on the road in the Pullman service....Mr. Eugene Hudson and other relatives have returned from Bryant, where they went to bury their mother, who recently died here....Mr. A. M. Moore, of Marshall, was here assisting Mrs. Charles McIntosh in looking after her business in the interest of her children and other matters connected with the death of her husband....Miss Callitia Johnson, of Silver City, N. M., is visiting relatives. She will remain indefinitely.

KANSAS CITY, MO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Dr. William Montgomery, a graduate of Howard University, is charged with manslaughter in connection with the death of Miss Vonita Hancock, 18 years old, who was found dead in his office at 400 Minnesota avenue, Kansas City, Kas., November 16. Dr. Montgomery was an ordained minister of the gospel and preached throughout Kansas. Miss Vinita Hancock was a school teacher in Kansas City, Kas....When the Temple Shoe Company opens ots doors at 1507 East 18th street it will be the first move toward centralizing the colored business on 18th street. In the near future 18th street will be the principal street for colored business. The business men of 18th street should stop talking o much peanut politics, get together and form a club for betterment of busoness, instead of howling that there is no trade. Spend the same hour a day that you spend talking about nothing and get together for a club to bring conventions and grand lodges to Kansas City—something that will help trade, not run it down....Past Grand Master B. K. Bruce, of Leavenworth, Kas., and Grand Master J. G. Caston, of Jefferson City, Mo., of U. B. F. & S. M. T., were in town last week auditing the books of the local committee whoch entertained the Grand Lodge of U. B. F. and S. M. T. in August in this city. After an all night session and most of the next day they found everything in good shape. Bad bookkeeping made all of the trouble. The committee made a cash settlement....That goat has been workong overtime in every lodge and all lodges are getting their share of fresh picking. Saturday night, November 11, the K. of P.'s got 30 at a joint slaughter. U. B. F. took ten across that mysterious route. Good work. Hope it will keep up....Mrs. Elizabeth Ross Haynes, of New York, international secretary of the Colored Y. W. C. A., on her western tour, visoted the two Kansas Citys with a view of organizing the two cities. She was very favorably impressed with conditions....The Y. M. C. A. annual membership campaogn between the reds and blues. They will go after 400 members in two days....Mr. R. B. DeFrantz addressed Western University Sunday, November 19....Mrs. Eugene Everett, 1608 Michigan avenue, after a serious illness is up and doing fine....Mr. Amos Newkirk, Kansas City's only Negro photographer, was on Topeka, Kas., on business Wednesday of last week....Miss Mea Hick, with the Henpeck Company, playing at the Shubert Theater, brought down the house every time she appeared on the stage....Since the night school was transferred to Lincoln High School the enrollment is 193 of all ages; everybody is taking interest and the work os doing good for the masses....The Freeman at your door every Saturday. Drop a card to S. Jefferson, 4314 Harrison.

MUNCIE (IND.) NEWS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

A big sum was raised at Calvary Baptist church in East Jackson street, by the members and friends of Muncie to pay off a debt on the church amounting to about $10,000. Many citizens of Muncie subscribed toward this amount and the members of the church have been busy for several days soliciting funds. Rev. Leroy Mitchell is pastor of this church, whoch is now free of debt. Yesterday was a memorable rally day for the congregation....Mr. Douglas Walker, who is now the sole proprietor of the ice cream and lunch parlors, having bought out his partner, Mr. Frank Poindexter, is doing a fine busoness....There came to the home f Mr. and Mrs. Sam Morgan a big baby boy to light up the heart of their home....Miss Orie Wilson has been sick at her home in Hackly street for some time, but is now convalescent....Miss Gurnell, of this coty, will leave Muncie some time this week to visit her home in Springfield, Ohio, where she has a sister down sick. She expects to stay at least two weeks before returning.

McCOMB, MISS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Jonee recital at the K. of P. hall last week was one of the grandest the coty has ever known. Miss Crookson rendered her numbers in a most acceptable way. Miss Raford brought the house down. Miss Cotton handled her number most beautifully, and Miss Gill gave her number with ease. Prof. Jones thanks the many friends for coming out on the evening of November 16. He will appear in Magnoloa on December 7....We are in sympathy with Mrs. Biddie Jackson owing to her mother's illness....Mr. Sam Horner is up again....Prof. A. W. Jones was the guest of Mr. Bob Crookson last week in Summit....Rev. O. Mills left for Conjois thos week....Prof. Jones asks all to take The Freeman on December 23. It will be full of interesting news.

MINEOLA, TEXAS.

In the northern part of Texas cotton is lower at 9 cents, and there is only a little corn in the country....The wife of Mr. James Tyfunter has been sick for some time....A good time was had at the C. M. E. church on the 18th....There is no oil company here for the Negroes; they only serve the white people....The holiday number of The Freeman woll be issued December 23, and it will be a rose.

PAST WEEK AT LOUISVILLE

THE DEATH OF REV. GADDIE A DECIDED LOSS

FUNERAL SERVICES VERY IMPRESSIVE

Grand Chancellor H. E. Jones Passes Through the City—Base Ball War in Sight for Next Season—Personal Mention.

By Lee L. Brown.
(1006 West Chestnut Street.)

LOUISVILE, Ky., Special.

The citizens of Louisvolle were shocked last week when the news of the death of Rev. D. A. Gaddie was announced in the morning papers. The Sunday morning before he had stood in his pulpit and in his usual manner of preachong had delivered a most feeling sermon. His faithful followers did not have any idea that in so short a time he would be lying beneath the sod. The duration of his ollness was only 24 hours. He was stricken Sunday evening at 8:35 with acute indigestion and died the following evening.

I esteem it a duty as well as a privilege to pay a humble tribute to the memory of so great a man as Father Gaddie. I do so not as a mere empty ceremony, but prompted by a profound respect for the great qualities of mind and heart which adorned the life of this grand old man, the memory of which will live long on the history of his denomination and in the hearts of his fellow workers.

When the true race man dies the race indeed should mourn. Father Gaddie succeeded in life because those who knew him had confidence in his integrity and uproghtness. He took the highest rank because he marched in a straight line to his conclusions. He made friends because he had great goodness of heart.

After years of public service as pastor of the Green Street Baptist church he stood at the threshold of the grave comparatively poor in the world's good, and to his great honor be ot spoken, rich in nothing save his good name, his character for spotless integrity, his unblemished reputation for purity in public and private life. These were his jewels; these were the treasures whoch he had garnered; these he valued more than houses and lands or all mere earthly possessions.

The funeral services were conducted in the church in which he had pastored for so long a time. It was a scene never to be forgotten to see the dear old fathers and mothers as they bowed down in deep sorrow for one that had been so dear to them, and even the children were seen to shed tears, as Father Gaddie was dearly beloved by all the children. Long before the services commenced members of his congregatoon gathered in the church, the street, basement, and every space was crowded with sympathizing friends of all denominations. After a most solemn devotional service, mingled with sweet songs and tender resolutions by representatives of organizations that he was connected with, Mrs. Anna Banks, of Winchester, Ky., sang a sacred solo. It was stated that Father Gaddie had asked that if she outlived him that he desired her to sing "Jesus Lover of My Soul." A most impressive sermon was preached, after which the relatives and friends took the last view of the departed friend. A large number of beautiful flowers were tendered by friends. Night fell before the services could be concluded. The body was not lowered into its last resting place until the next day. It was said that the last official act of his life was to take up a collection for foreign missions.

His was no sudden call. All preparations, secular and spiritual, possible were made by his own direction. The silver cord was not cut hurriedly, nor the golden bowl broken in an instant. No holocaust of fire snapped his life's cord suddenly. The cord was gently untied; the golden bowl melted away as if it were a scarf of vapory amethyst, or rather as the light fades away from the firmament at the coming on of evening mild. A few hours after the sun went down his spirit peacefully departed. The pearl dropped from its wasted shell and the life of Father Gaddie was no more.

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Prof. H. Francis Jones, Henderson, Ky., Grand Chancellor of the Kentucky Pythians, passed through the city last Sunday en route to Charleston, W. Va., to attend the unveiling of the statue of the late Supreme Chancellor Starks. During Prof. Jones' stay in this city he met with a very important committee. Plans for the new Pythian building, to be located at Tenth and Chestnut streets, have been selected. In the near future this building will be erected. Prof. Jones and his executive committee have worked hard in order that this building may stand when completed as a monument to the Pythians of the entire country.

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There seems to be a baseball war in sight for Louisville next season. The original Louisville Cubs, under the management of Ed Lancaster and Black Stringer, have organized and will play at Spring Bank Park next season. Mr. Geo. Baker and several other gentlemen have incorporated the same club. The fans will watch the results with great interest. It has been demonstrated that Louisville fans will not support two clubs. One of these organizations must either give up or the two unite.

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The addresses before the Middle Western States Juvenile Court Judges' Conference was highly enjoyed by those who were fortunate enough to attend. Thursday Mrs. Bessie L. Allen probation officer, read an excellent paper before the conference. She was applauded several times and seemed to please the members when she said that "White people should be interested in the health of their servants lest disease be brought into their own families." Rev. C. H. Parrish, president of the Kentucky Home Society, read a paper on "Child Saving." His address was highly appreciated by all. He concluded his address by saying that "No child should be without a home and no home without a child." The Eckstein Norton Boys' Brass Band played several selections.

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A large number of Baptist ministers from all over the State were on the city last week attending the funeral of Rev. D. A. Gaddie.

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Andrew Carnegie sent a check for $1,000 to the Merciful Savior church last week to apply on the organ soon to be purchased.

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Father Dorsey a colored Catholic priest of Baltimore, Md., has established a mission in the eastern part of the coty.

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Mr. G. S. Baker was recently appointed district deputy grand chancellor of the Knights of Pythias.

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The Old Folks' Home Rally at Rev. Johnson's church last Sunday was quite a success; $382.20 was raised.

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The School of Stenography opened last Monday night at 1006 West Chestnut street. A number of pupils have regostered.

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The Ruby Theater was seriously damaged by fire early Monday morning. It is not known when the house will be ready for business again.

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Miss Ella Bailey, 224 West Breckinrodge street, has been confined to her bed for several weeks with typhoid fever, but is much improved.

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Mr. H. P. Alexander, a graduate from the Central Law School, now practicing in Winchester, Ky., was in the city this week on legal business.

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The Gamma Delpha Club enjoyed a very pleasant time last week at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Bush at a whist party. Quite a number of friends were present.

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Everyone is looking forward to the great game between the State University and Wilberforce, Ohio, football teams, which will take place Thanksgiving Day. The Central High School boys will journey to St. Louis, to play their old rivals, the Sumner High School.

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The annual newsboys' dinner will not be held on Thanksgiving Day as in past years. There will be a grand Christmas tree entertainment at the U. B. F. hall December 26. Friends are requested to send their contributions in as early as possible.

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Mrs. Amanda Cabell of Henderson, Ky., was in the city this week in the interest of the women's department of the G. A. R. Mrs. Cabell is well known as a great worker in the interest of this organization. She has traveled all over the Unoted States and is one of the best known members of the Ladies of the G. A. R.

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Mr. R. T. Berry, the well-known newspaper man of Owensboro, Ky., was in the city last week. He has secured a store room at Tenth and Madison from which place the Kentucky Reporter woll be published. We have four colored papers in Louisville.. There is room for more.

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Announcements are out for the annual Thanksgiving excursion to Eckstein Norton Institute, Cane Spring, Ky. Friends should take advantage of this trip as it is more than likely that in another year this school will be merged with Lincoln Institute, which is now in course of erection at Simpsonville, Ky.

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We are pleased this week to say a word concerning the J. R. Neighbors Photograph Gallery, located in the Douglass building. During the past two or three weeks Mr. Neighbors has sent out over three thousand announcement cards, with special rates and discounts. He has given away quite a number of photographs as samples of his work. He is a most excellent photographer, ever on the alert to adopt new ideas.

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Mr. W. C. Brown the well-known colored business man of this city, died last Sunday night at his residence. He is well known to the wholesale men on Main street, has a host of friends, was a prominent member of the Local Business League and was its first president. The funeral services were conducted by Watson's Undertaking Establishment at the Merciful Savior church of which he was a member.

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The Central Colored High School will give their annual harvest festival at the (old) Quinn Chapel church, Walnut street, between Ninth and Tenth, November 29, 30 and December 1. There will be a special program on each night by the students of the high school. The work of the industrial departments will be on display. Prof. Lawson and his teachers deserve great credit for the excellent work accomplished in this department.

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The Indianapolis correspondent for Frankfort seems to be very anxious to have the Frankfort football team play Louisville High School. He refers to our team as a minor one. If Mr. Tolbert had been here last Saturday and witnessed the game between Bloomington, Ind., and our boys he would have changed his opinoon. As for the Frankfort team, they would soon be lost in a game with the Central or State University boys. Come on, boys, send in your challenge. The way is clear.

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The Atlanta Mutual Insurance Company, under the direction of the well-known insurance man, Mr. Henry Hall, has opened up two new office rooms. They now occupy the offices recently vacated by the Baptist Foreign Missoon Board in the Douglass building. Mr. Hall deserves great credit for the earnestness which he has placed in his business. He has worked loke a Trojan to have the best company in the State. He employs a stenographer and has a number of agents.

SHORT FLIGHTS.

BY R. W. THOMPSON

A Simple Distinction.

The egotist pours forth his song
  With ever placid mind:
"The difference 'twixt right and wrong
  Is easily defined.
When a suggestion I present
  On topics great or slight,
Regardless of all argument,
  THAT'S RIGHT.

"And when, upon the other hand,
  Some rival sage butts in
With arts of language at command
  Your confidence to win,
And contradicts what I may claim,
  With reasoning mild or strong,
The answer always is the same:
  THAT'S WRONG."

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The man who is right fears no one.

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No big office ever spoiled a big man.

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Charles W. Anderson is a leader who leads.

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Nevertheless, Tim Fortune did come back.

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A good starter: "Enclosed please find——"

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Mme. Anita Patti Brown, like Taft, is winning the West.

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This is a bad year for political bosses and "white hopes."

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Dr. J. S. Jackson has won his call to the Zion bishopric.

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The Washington Post laments the fact that the colored brother has beaten the "Progressives" to the very appropriate title of "The True Reformers."

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Miss Nannie H. Burroughs is the composer of a new song entitled "The Negro Has Fought Every Battle but His Own," and it is highly spoken of by the musical critics.

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Dr. A. J. Rodgers, of Mobile, Ala., has withdrawn from the race for the Zion bishopric in favor of Dr. J. S. Jackson, and will try for the office of financial secretary.

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It takes eight-tenths of the purest white blood to make a white man. One-eighth of Negro blood will make the whitest man a Negro. Some strength to this black blood, eh?

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A Negro who tries to break down a business enterprise of a brother Negro just to get even with him for a fancied slight, is a traitor to the race, and should be dealt with summarily.

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Don't fret over the fact that the other fellow holds the ace today. In the next deal you may land a handful of trumps. Bide your time, and keep your weather eye on the main chance.

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The fellows who defeated Dr. Robert E. Jones for the presidency of the Louisiana State Negro Business League have probably forgotten the naem of the man they were told to vote for. The country has.

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Booker T. Washington will make an educational pilgrimage through Florida in a few weeks, under the pilotage of M. M. Lewey, editor of the Florida Sentinel and president o fthe Florida State Negro Business League.

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National Organizer Charles H. Moore should be put to work early in the new year. The Chicago convention of the National Negro Business League should be the "best ever," and it is not long from now until August.

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Are you reading Dr. Washington's chapters on "The Man Farthest Down" in the various colored papers? They are worth a careful perusal. They are full of encouragement to the Negro who thinks he is getting "the worst of it" here and elsewhere.

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"There were great men before Agamemnon." The Wagoner (Okla.) American truthfully says: "The Republican party has always been progressive, notwithstanding what La Follette, Bristow, Clapp, Cummings and Murdock may have said to the contrary."

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The Amsterdam News is so taken with the generosity of the Secretary of the Treasury in the matter of retaining the three Negro architects that it proposes "Taft and MacVeagh" as a possible ticket for 1912. There is nothing like being appreciative of favors shown our race.

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Bishop Walters makes announcement that the General Education Board will assist the A. M. E. Zion church in its effort to raise $50,000 this year for education. If the church will raise $37,500 the board will give the remaining $12,500. The best help is that which induces self-help.

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"President of the United States and attorney" is the way Mr. Taft had himself recorded at the election booth the other day at his Cincinnati home. While holding an exalted office the level-headed Chief Executive does not forget that he has been—and may be again, some time—a working man.

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Moving is sometimes a help, if a fellow finds the cards stacked against him in a particular locality, but this constant migration of the Negro solves no problem. Stay on the soil and grow up with the country, making new conditions with the growth of power. "Cast down your buskets where you are!"

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If the Negroes who infest 135th street in New York City, South street in Philadelphia, State street in Chicago, Green street in Louisville and Indiana avenue in Indianapolis could be induced to raise more potatoes and less h—ll, our great centers of population would have a chance to reduce the cost of living.

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Dr. Booker T. Washington as the dinner guest of Dr. Lyman Abbott at Cornwall, surrounded by the most noted men of parts in the country, and as the stellar light at the National Educational Association at Milwaukee, are striking indications of the confidence that the real people of the country repose in the world's most unique educator.

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Dr. W. P. Thirkield, in a recent address, came out in clarion notes for equal suffrage rights for all American citizens. Dr. Thirkield is teaching a virile philosophy at Howard University, a philosophy that makes for real Americans, true Christians and useful factors in our social fabric. He knows no color line in the development of genuine manhood.

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Echoes of President Taft's great speech at Blanchard Hall, in Los Angeles, indicate that he "scored" heavily by the practical advice he gave the colored people there. His endorsement of Booker T. Washington was hearty and sincere, and more than offset the strictures of the envious and little-minded persons who never support anybody or anything worth while.

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We have little faith in the religion of the preacher who vociferates over the marriage of divorcees and who tear their hair because of the "affinity" wave, and who find it impossible to feel the slightest tremor when human beings are burned at the stake and lynched for offenses unproven in any court of law. Christ is not pleased with such feeble messengers as these.

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The Democrats could go a lots further and fare much worse than to nominate that great Southerner, Henry Watterson, for President. As he said the other night in Louisville at the Taft dinner, if he should ever be the nation's Chief Executive he would "show 'em something." Col. Watterson, the last of the line of great editors represented by the elder Bennett, Charles A. Dana, Horace Greeley, John W. Forney and Henry J. Raymond, is sound on the larger questions affecting the Negro race, and stands for what is best in Democracy.

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A genius who has led in demonstrating the possibilities of the hustling, square-dealing Afro-American in business is Lemuel W. Bright, the effervescent landlord of the Mt. Vernon Hotel, at Norfolk, Va. By dint of industry, thrift and capacity to "take the tide at its flood" Mr. Bright has developed a number of first-class business enterprises in and about Norfolk that have not only stirred the pride of his own people, but which have opened the eyes of the white magnates of Tidewater, Va., and compelled the admission that there are Negroes who know how and are able to "do things worth while." The Mt. Vernon, where the beds are so tidy that it is almost a shame to rumple them up, cannot be exxcelled anywhere in the land. For elegance of equipment, daintiness of cuisine and homelike atmosphere it stands unrivaled by any hostelry we have seen on the continent. It is not strange that its accommodations are eagerly sought by visitors to Norfolk who desire "solid comfort." Dr. Booker T. Washington has been a guest of the Mt. Vernon and the "chamber of honor" has been named for him. It was the official headquarters of the A. M. E.. General Conference in 1908, and all of the bishops of the great Methodist denominations have been made happy under its hospitable roof. Mr. Bright is an ideal boniface, and the "Short Flights" man remembers Norfolk most pleasantly because of the open-handed welcome extended on divers and sundry occasions by this genial keeper of the "open door." Not least among the numerous enterprises fostered by Mr. Bright is "Little Bay Beach," a cosy summer resort on his own land between Norfolk and Old Point Comfort, which bids fair to become one of the best patronized rest and recreation points for our people south of Cape May. Next season Mr. Bright will have enlarged hotel facilities and superior arrangements for bathing and fishing. With abundant provision for the inner and outer man Mr. Bright will be prepared to entertain his friends in royal fashion at Little Bay Beach, as well as at his Queen street emporium. "Lem" Bright is one of nature's noblemen.

ITEMS OF RACE INTEREST.

It is said that the most discussed and telling address by a Negro delegate at Toronto was that by Dr. Atkins. His paper was conceded to be one of the very ablest of the conference.

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The Zion A. M. E. Church bishops have declared unanimously in favor of Bishop G. W. Clinton as a member of the JeaJnes fund board to succeed the late Bishop Abraham Grant.

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Mrs. Ann Maria Fisher, formerly a slave of Henry Clay, died recently in Brooklyn, N. Y. She left an estate estimated at $70,000, which had grown from $800 invested years ago in mortgages.

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Justice Charles E. Hughes of the United States Supreme Court and his family will be the only white persons living in the block when they take possession of Mr. Hughes' new $100,000 home which is to be finished within the next two weeks. The remainder of the persons in the block are Negroes. The new house is at Sixteenth and V streets Washington, D. C.

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A Negro city has been planned for Hortense, Dickson county, Tenn. A meeting was held there and option held on 1,358 acres taken up.

The United Helping Society of Tennessee is back of the project, having already built a number of houses in Antioch. All available land has been used. At Hortense an agricultural and industrial school has been projected and a widows' and orphans' home.

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Mr. Julius Rosenwald, head of the firm of Sears, Roebuck and Company, of Chicago reached Tuskegee Institute Thursday morning of last week in a private car for a two days' visit, accompanied by his wife, his brother, Mr. Maurice Rosenwald and wife, his sister, Mrs. Eisendrath; Rabbi Emil G. Hirsch, lecturer and publicist; Dr. E. G. Cooley, former superintendent of schools of Chicago; Mr. L. W. Messer, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A., Chicago, and Professor Graham Taylor of the University of Chicago.

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The late Bishop Handy of the A. M. E. church was careful as to money, and by his thrift and good judgment he acquired a good deal of property. But at the same time he was one of the most liberal men in the church. He was just as careful about his personal appearance. Even in his early days no one can say that he was ever found looking shabby. One of the illustrations of his great self-control is found in the fact that, though he was an habitual smoker before he was elected bishop, after that event he threw off the habit.

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Julius Rosenwald, who has contributed $25,000 to the colored Y. M. C. A. of Indianapolis, is president of the Associated Jewish Charities in Chicago, and is said to devote more than half of every working day to philanthropic enterprises. Some time go the company of which he is president gave $100,000 toward meeting the expense of erecting a branch Y. M. C. A. near its establishment in Chicago, and since that time he has personally offered $25,000 toward the construction of Y. M. C. A. buildings for colored men in any city which will raise $75,000. A few cities have taken advantage of the offer.

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There are now about 40,000 West Indian Negroes on the Canal Zone. What will become of them when the work is done no one may predict. When the French failed thousands of Negroes were left there stranded, and their governments were forced to convey them back home. It is possible that this will happen again, although conditions never again can be as bad as they were then. But, come what may, the Negro has had his full share in the construction of the canal. He has been well paid in money, and he deserves also to be remembered in the gratitude of the great American republic.

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At a recent meeting of the board of trustees of the John D. Rockefeller fund for education in New York the report showed that the board has contributed between $600,000 and $700,000 to forty-one schools for Negroes. These contributions have been limited to the higher schools which train teachers for the public schools.

The following trustees were present: Frederick T. Gates, Robert C. Ogden, Walter H. Page, George Foster Peabody, J. D. Rockefeller, Jr., Albert Shaw, Wallace Buttrick, Starr JJ. Murphy, Hollis B. Frissell, Charles W. Eliot, Edgar L. Marston and Wickliffe Ross.

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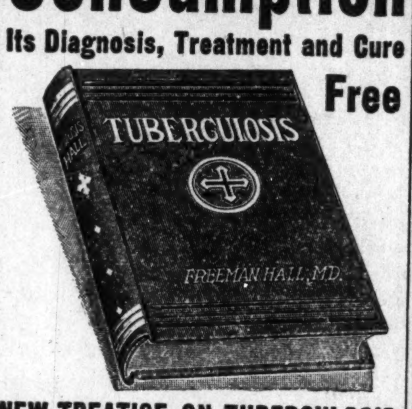
Judge Day adjourned the United States District Court at Cleveland, O., Wednesday afternoon of last week, that he and other officials and employes of the department might attend the funeral of Thomas W. H. St. John, a colored messenger of the court who died last Sunday morning at his residence, 2341 East Seventy-first street. St. John was sixty-three years old. The funeral was held at St. Andrew's church, Central and East Twenty-fourth street.

In adpourning the court, Judge Day said to the jury: "Mr. St. John was a very efficient, capable and extremely gentlemanly man. He won the highest esteem of all of us. We will always remember him with affectionate regard. It will be no more than fitting that we should pay such honor to his memory as we can, and accordingly we intend to be present at the services at his funeral this afternoon."



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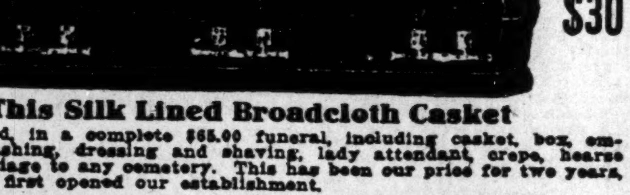

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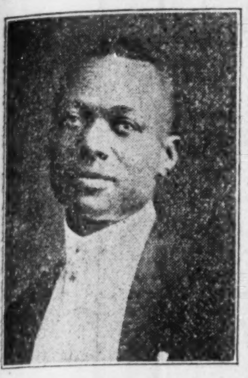

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WHAT THE NEGRO HAS RIGHT TO EXPECT OF CHRISTIANITY.

Rev. R. A. Grant, in Southern Life Magazine.

By Christianity we mean that form of religion which is based on Jesus Christ, the Incarnate God, brought out most beautifully in the beloved Apostle's words: "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Nay, not a form only, but a system of life, feeding upon the principles given us by Jesus Christ. "For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus."

With this definition in view, what has the Negro a right to expect of Christianity, first, as a man? There is a spark of individuality in every human being, that, if properly fanned, blazes into the fire that brings out the realization that he is a man.

A great awakening is on like unto the awakening of 1835, when were seen the effects of the preaching of the gospel upon the people of the colonies.

A greater upheaval is being felt by the world to-day than when the deeps of the European world were broken up by the restlessness of the people making demands for their rights, because this mixture of dirt and water, driven on by the soul, is responding to the demands of the world coming into the man.

China, under Christian influence, is being cleaned up, and men are being saved. Africa, under English rule, is in better shape than she would have been without it, for the spirit of Christianity now broods over her like the hen over her chicks, and facts show that she, too, is rising and answering the call of Christianity.

The Negro here has already come into the limelight of Christianity; then why should there not be a refluent wave?

Take a man and rob him of that most important factor, manhood, and his life is deprived of all that ought to make him the being intended for him to become; and because the Negro has been robbed of those privileges which otherwise might be his, some have grown discouraged and despondent, but the optimistic among us expect Christianity to lift his clouded sky, broaden his narrow vision, break down the hedges growing about him. The idea of handing a lump of sugar to a horse works equally well in the case of a man; and although he does not look for sugar by the barrel full emptied at his door, he does expect to be permitted to reach out his hand with the rest of men and grasp a lump unintimidated.

Sometimes it has been said that the measure of the standard of a man, to which the world has its high ideal formed, cannot be attained by the Negro, but blind indeed must be the person who cannot see the facts being brought each day, showing that the steeps are being climbed and the summits reached.

For I am sure you are conversant with the facts of the "Forward Movement," the Y. M. C. A. Rally, and when you remember that these are practically new movements among us, the great measure in which he is responding to these demands and responsibilities can be better appreciated. In Chicago it was announced that two philanthropists offered $25,000, to be given if they could among themselves raise $50,000. When the lists came in they had $66,000. In Philadelphia figures show that Negroes subscribed $25,000, and in Atlanta, not long ago, two Negro men gave $1,000 each, and one $500, for the Young Men's Christian Association work. You may say I have cited you only an instance, and if you do I shall tell you that if one Negro goes wrong, you make more of that than I have made of this instance.

Theories of evolution have been relied upon to prove that the Negro evolved from a lower animal, but it has not been satisfactorily shown so to be. Even to this there will be no objection if, as Coburn says, man was evolved from a lower order.

I heard a gentleman say that we are all made out of one mud, and another fittingly replied, yes, and saved by one blood.

We expect the truth of Paul's statements to be made evident in the life of the world through Christianity (Gal. 3: 28): "There is neither Jew nor Greek, neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female, for ye are all one in Christ Jesus." (Acts 17:26.: "And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth."

I read in the Evening Metropolis of February 28, this year, a plea of a lawyer for a white boy fourteen years old, convicted of burglary, and after he had told of the disadvantages through which the boy had come, he said: "But we ought not to condemn a boy offhand, like that, when we know that a rose can't bloom in the dark, nor a diamond sparkle until it is dug out of the ground, cut and polished, and a boy has to have a chance, too. You have heard my story; if any man wishes to give this boy a chance, communicate with me."

Thus, if this is a plea from a standpoint of Christianity, and I believe it is, we look to Christianity, knowing through what the Negro has come, and that he is still in his boyhood, to give him a chance due a member of the family of Adam.

What has the Negro a right to expect of Christianity, second, as a citizen of the Republic?

The Negro has proven himself loyal and true to every call and claim of this great Republic. For when the burning desire for freedom from English oppression saw the light of day, he was there. When the last possession of the United States was received with open hands, he was there. From the riot in Boston to the Spanish-American war, the blood of the Negro has been mingled with the blood of other men, making a mighty stream, the price bringing us freedom, protection and the enlargement of our borders.

As for bravery, there is no smirch upon him, for he has shown himself worthy of this trust to all rational minds. If any doubt, just one reference, and that is all I have space to make. Take a run with me to San Juan, and see him as he climbs through shot and shell to the head of the fort and places there the pride of the Republic—Old Glory.

For scholarship he has snowed under all attacks made upon him by measuring up to the standards of educational heights, and in the classes of artists, specialists and inventors he is found.

For the accumulation of property he has outstripped the record found upon the historical setting of the world's progress, and now owns and controls, according to Dr. Booker T. Washington—and he is no mean authority—five hundred and fifty million dollars' worth of property, two hundred thousand farms, four hundred thousand homes.

He should be guaranteed protection, food, clothing, shelter, safety of life and property, prosperity, healthful sanitary systems, comfort and security.

Like the men during the time of the revolutionary uprising who cried "Peace, peace, peace," but there was no peace, there are among us those who cry "Patience, patience, patience." This almost ceases to be a virtue when you remember that of unrest has been born the noblest acts, greatest deeds, and highest achievements. Then there are those who rest secure upon the adage, "Good things come to those who wait," but they must turn and read on the other side, "All things come to those who hustle while they wait."

Christianity takes care of the yellow man in China, the black man in Africa, but the Negro is here and expects humane treatment. He expects Christianity to save him from being ignored, mobbed and exploited. He expects Christianity to see to it that he is treated sanely, sympathetically, and also steadfastly and intelligently. He does not expect of Christianity special friendship, but he does expect the friendship and consideration due a man on the basis of the Fatherhood of God, Saviorhood of Christ and Brotherhood of Man.

Thus we would get the equality guaranteed by the true exemplification of the principles given by Christ, for there is no color of the soul. A little more Christianity for the white man, as well as for the Negro, will go a long way toward solving the so-called race problem on these shores.

It has been said, and it is a good point, that "the white man of the South will not say 'Mister,' yet a Christian will call him brother." This points to a settlement of the so-called race question. A weaker, a more deficient and perhaps an erring brother he may be, but the Negro is still a brother. He is one of God's children. He is a member of the great human family for whom Christ died.

SIOUX CITY, IA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Miss Lottie Parks is showing marked improvement with her music, and is in a fair way to become an accomplished musician....Mr. Charles T. Bowles, formerly of Cheyenne, Wyo., is holding a responsible position at the Armour Packing Company's plant, this city, and expects to make this his future home.... Mrs. J. Jones, 208 West Seventh street, had success with her chiterling supper Wednesday night.

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The Dunbar Literary Society will entertain friends Friday evening, at the A. M. E. Church. A program will be rendered....Mrs. Thomas Johnson left Monday for Rochester, N. Y., where she will spend two weeks visiting relatives. ....Miss Edna Strothers spent Sunday in Janesville....A choir has recently been organized in the A. M. E. Church, under the leadership of Mrs. Alice Reed. It consists of the following: Miss Clara Evans, organist; Misses Irene Evans, Mabel Horton, Lizzie Owens, sopranos; Miss Lillian Evans, alto; Fred Evans, tenor....Mr. Tom Woods, of Madison, formerly of Beloit, was married to Mrs. Blackwell, of Little Rock, Ark. The ceremony was held in the Baptist Church in Madison. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Barker, of this city, attended the wedding. ....Miss Stella Johnson, Beloit, and Mr. John Fountain, of Chicago, were married in Rockford last week. They will make their home in Janesville....Rev. Edward Jackson, P. E., was in the city Sunday, and delivered his annual sermon. From here he will go to Delavan.

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I am yours in Christ and S. M. T.,

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I am now making my own volunteer statement because this lady has caused me to be so happy. I would like so much to give you my name, but I hope you know why. I went with a young man two years and we spat all the time. We were twice engaged and he would disappoint me, until I consulted this wonderful lady. Now we are married, and have been for near three years. He is so nice and kind to me. I told him a few months ago of this advice and he would not agree with me until he lost his job, and then made up his mind, and do you know that my husband has one of the best jobs of his life by consulting her. No matter what you want to do or know, let her hear from you, and I vow you will never regret it. I cannot help believing that she is sent of God to do just what she is doing, and you never hear of a thing ugly that she has done. I visited her during the K. of P. Supreme Lodge, and I never met a nicer lady. I am a Christian and a leader in a good many church clubs. We chatted a good deal of such things. I find her very entertaining. I am, as ever, her friend,

MRS. JOSIE T. M.,
Washington, D. C.

To Whom It May Concern.

I have always been one of those that did not give any thought of this until about four years ago I had a great trouble and it cost me almost every dime I had, and my mother asked me one day to tell some of this trouble to this woman that we read so much about in our papers. Mother says, "I feel that she can help you." I had to laugh with tears in my eyes, for I was in jail; then finally I said, "Suit yourself; anything now, so I come clear and get out of here." She let this woman hear from her and about me. We never can forget what this woman said in reply. She said in substance, "If you will pray and trust God, I will do the rest." And bless her to-day and forever. I was called to trial, and every witness that could be found spoke in my behalf, and those who did not could not be found. I was returned to jail twice and then set free. Do you blame me for saying she is a power unknown, to help those who seek her aid? I am now doing business for myself and making good. Every month I send her twenty dollars. I have done this for four months, and shall always divide my last dime with her. I am her friend at all times.

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As to Colonel Roosevelt, some insist that "Barkis is willin'."

Get in on the ground floor of the Christmas shopping, is the advice. Better late than never, will suit most of us.

Our own Governor Marshall will be in the running for the nomination for President on the Democratic ticket. Fortunately he has had no little election tests to tryout the standing of his party at home.

To live in the presence of great truths and eternal laws, to be led by permanent ideals—that is what keeps a man patient when the world ignores him, and calm and unspoiled when the world praises him.—Balzac.

Someone has said that, owing to the war in China, the price in tea might go up. If so, just water it—just the same as stocks of some concerns. Nobody will know the difference, excepting those putting in the water.

Another famous picture stolen/ When Florence, Italy, woke up "this morning" she was gone—Madonna Delle Stella. The most notable dame was loosened from her moorings November 19, and from all accounts has joined Mona Lisa and the rest of the lost arts.

Something doing in the turkey line for Thanksgiving Day. Mayor Shank will have one thousand of the festive birds on market to be sold for "sweet reasonableness" prices. Now if they can manage to get them to whom they may concern it will be a big lift to them.

Dr. Booker T. Washington's incident is being well aired in the race publications. Considerable feeling has been exhibited, more, perhaps, than Dr. Washington cared to see. However, he doubtless is consoled by the fact that all are for him, having the utmost faith in his moral integrity.

D. Sommers & Co., the well-known furniture dealers, have undertaken to supply their customers with good coal at June prices. The good work is going right along—$2.75 for good coal will be a big help this winter. The company also thinks it will be able to supply many others who are not its customers.

There seems to be in figuring out the estimable Governor Woodrow Wilson, of New Jersey, a sort of consolation prize. By figures and theory it has proven that he did "mighty" well, even better than at the previous election. Now, if they can get the other folks to see it that way, the distinguished gentleman will be able to retake his great lead.

Oyster soup, turkey, cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes (a la Shank), sweet potatoes floating in baked pork gravey, celery, stewed tomatoes (good ones), pumpkin pie (from pumpkin to pie), a first-class piece of peach pie, ice cream, coffee, cheese, a big, black cigar. This includes sure enough butter and good bread. Thanks will be due at both ends of such a program.

It is said that when a member of the body is not in use that it soon forgets its function, and in time disappears altogether. If this is true, is it equally true that members and faculties are created or devopoled according to the demand? Just as reasonable. Then we may be expected to soon have eyes all over our heads as a fly, in answer to the demands of this automobile age.

All of the citizens hope to see Military Park as it is—an ornament to the city, a breathing spot for the citizens, a retreat for the children and a memorial to our martial pride. The citizens hope to see all the good and useful institutions possible, hospitals and so forth. We have excellent hospital sites all about the city. It cannot be said of parks for city children or for the citizens generally. The citizens seem to see it that way. Why not permit the rule of the majority?

The Appeal of Minneapolis, Minn., presents itself in splendid form as a reminder of the twenty-fifth year of its existence. Editor Adams has chosen to call the issue the "Silver Jubilee" in addition to the "Twenty-Fifth Anniversary." Credit is due to the toil, patience and ingenuity undergone in bringing the issue to pass. It is safe to say that no publication has been so thoroughly representative of the thrift and economy of the colored people of a locality. This is mostly evidenced in their homes, many of which are presented. Here is indication of the striving to be at one with the ambitious—to do and to have. The groups of men and women seem of a cherry disposition, full of hope, contented and happy, reflecting the peace, happiness and prosperity of the community. The issue is a success, and particularly so along the lines essayed.

True enough, we think more of eating and drinking on Thanksgiving Day than giving thanks for being able to eat—for being spared to eat and so forth. Yet we are not much different to the first set that sat down at that somewhat of a state dinner. And, after all, the day was meant to exhibit the mercy of the Heavenly Father, shown forth in the things that insured life. The very eating was symbolical of salvation even as that eating and drinking instituted about nineteen hundred years ago.

Finally the old log cabin that knew the early and lowly life of Abraham Lincoln has been enshrined in marble in token of the esteem in which his memory is held by the American people. At Hodgenville, Ky., five years ago the movement was started by Robert J. Collier, of New York, for memorializing the immortal President. Two years ago the corner stone was laid by ex-President Roosevelt with appropriate exercises. A few weeks ago President Taft was the central figure when the beautiful memorial temple was thrown open to the public. Among those appearing with Mr. Taft were Governor Willson, of Kentucky; Editor Watterson and Mr. Collier. The President made extended reference to Mr. Lincoln, proving him worthy of the great tribute of praise. He did not fail to call to mind the great regard he had for the colored race.

SOME REASONS FOR THANKS.

As little as we think of it we have opportunity to do very much. We think, often, that because we cannot get the glittering things of life within our grasp at once that there's no use, or what's the use? Meaning that the struggles will be barren of results, that life is not worth the while and similar thoughts. If we would ask the individual of vast means how his better portion, his wealth came to him, more than likely it would be a very long story, the better part of which would be the recounting the same toil by some one—the forefathers—that we now go through.

Some time ago a well known artist pictured oneindividual standing alone on a mountain of skulls. He had made the ascent. He was beautiful to behold! On the summit, with everything at his command. But what of the sacrifice? Was it worth the while? The picture, perhaps, was overdrawn, but it had the idea. No great wealth without tremendous toil and suffering somewhere. It would be unwise to urge such prosperity as mentioned because it would mean greed which opposes contentment, the best condition of human society. We can do something more than we are doing to average up to the plane of content, meaning commonly a fair portion of the good things of life—a fair share in its pleasures and joys. We, however, will have to pay the price—sacrifice individually, contributing to the happiness and ease of those that follow.

It is not necessary to urge whnt particular things we may yet do as a race. It is plain what we may yet do. We think we are oppressed and in a way we do not have the advantages that others have, yet the oppression in the most part appears because of the lavish display of wealth about us. As intimated, those now enjoying so much are simply enjoying the fruiting of those gone before them. Nature tells us plainly that there are no royal roads to fruition. Religion teaches, no cross, no crown, and the rest of it. The opportunity to succeed to the sphere of content is not denied. Some must suffer and die in the attempt even as Moses in reaching the promised land. But the promise still hangs in the heaven of our hopes and assures to those of the final perseverance.

If we think right we will see great reasons for giving thanks for the opportunity—thanks for that design descried through all of our vicissitudes since the landing of the first shipload of Negroes in Virginia in 1619, down until this present time. And as if the **Arbitrator of our fate were fearful** that we would not know and understand He has held Africa gripped tightly in the vice of ignorance and stupidity that present day status—1619, that we may see from whence we came. There are those who doubt divine influence in the affairs of men on earth. It matters not. Thanks are still due; due to the the increasing heart of men then, who have outgrown the tyranny of man domination under the banner of Christianity or civilization, groping toward the ultimate—the peerhood of mankind. We should be thankful for this very sensible increase of the scope of every man and especially as it is in our own country.

Besides being thankful for the tendency along the line of opportunity and that of freedom in common, we can still thank for the things that nature presents—the sun, the moon, the stars, which are every man's heritage. The unfolding trees of summer time preserving us against the unmercy of God's sheening day. The scavenger floods that fall sweetening the putrid earth, sluicing back to the great keep of waters where the Master Alchemist and retort infinite and eternal, bids the foul to again become clean. All about us are these splendid evidences of providential care in preparing for our coming on earth. Infinite love is seen through it all—and deserving infinite thanks.

OUR MAYOR HAS FAME ABROAD.

It is sometimes said that a man must go from home if he would know his standing at home. Well, whatever Mayor Shank may be at home, he is a very much-talked-of man throughout the country. The cheaper cost of living agitation is a country-wide theme, and Mayor Shank is named as the foremost man in the movement. Some pleasantry goes in the comment, but at that, they do not forget to seriously consider the movement.

The New York Sun says that Shank is the one man in the country to wage successful war against the tyrant middleman. It asks if he would not care for a nomination to higher office. It thinks that "Shank and potatoes" would be a rallying cry that would be fetching. The Rural New Yorker had it that "one carload of potatoes run over a monopoly is worth a trainload of political theory.

The mayor is kept busy explaining his meaning to anxious inquirers throughout the country. His secretary is giving out this information:

"The mayor's object is to bring into the city market house fruits and vegetables purchased direct from the producers. This eliminates the middleman's profit and gives tremendous advantage in the disposal of the stuff at prices within the bounds of reason. So far the experiment has been with potatoes only. These the mayor purchased in Michigan in carload lots at sixty-nine cents f. o. b. Indianapolis. He was able to sell them at seventy-five cents a bushel. This paid all expenses. At the time potatoes were selling at $1.60 a bushel in this city. Dealers immediately lowered their price to $1, but raised it again as soon as the mayor's supply was exhausted."

The Denver Republican had as follows:

"Indianapolis has lowered the price of potatoes by cutting out the delivery auto, the package cost, the retailer's wage, and the rent of downtown corners; but it could only do that by forcing the consumer to come to the market and carry his purchases away. The example set, if it leads to the return of the old-time markeet to favor, will serve society well in more than one way."

In fact, responses come from all parts of the country answering the effortsof Mayor Shank at reducing the cost of living to the poor. The efforts have not been without results. Most commodities of the kind, the common food stuffs, have scaled down several cents on a bushel or a pound, meaning very much to a family in a short while.

Beyond this is the wholesome effect—the decided tendency to bear prices in the interest of those that need it most. Mr. Shank does not ignore the middleman, but he wants him to be of "sweet reasonableness," having in mind a live and let live policy.

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Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Pensacola Interstate Fair closed last week with the greatest success ever especially among the colored people of this city, also the Pensacola high school and the Pensacola normal school was well represented in their departments, of which all class work received first prize. The governor, the state superintendent and the county superintendent visited these departments and were well pleased with the work that the colored people did and they praised all of it to the highest extent. Among those of the Pensacola high school who received prizes were the following: Miss Idell Sunday, shirt waist, first prize; Miss Mabel Simmon, center piece, first prize; Miss Marcella Avery, drawn table cloth, second prize; Lucial Pain, a dress, second prize. Those of the Pensacola normal school were Miss Lola Goode, a pair of beads, first prize; Mr. L. D. Brown, a pair of horse harness, first prize....The members of the Literary Club rendered a very excellent program at the Pensacola high school last Friday evening. Those on the program were Miss Marcella Avery, recitation; Miss Sarah Robinson, a paper; Mr. Armsted Thompson, recitation; Viola Kelley, solo; Andrew and Freddie Preer, violin solos; Francis James, solo; Florence Marshall and Annie Nelson, duett....Mr. R. T. Thomas has been on the sick list. His many friends are glad to see him out again....Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McDuffey will leave in a few days for Norfolk, Va., where they will reside in the future. Their mny friends regret to learn of their departure....Miss Bessie McCaskill and Mr. Wilbur Wynn were married last Wednesday night at the home of the bride's parents. They have the best wishes for a long married life from their many friends....The Literary Club of the Pensacola high school will give a social on Friday night at the school building. Quite a large number of the younger set will be present....The Thanksgiving dance which will be given by the Siminole Social Club, this month, will be one of the grandest features of the season. Great plans are ahead by the members of the younger set for this occasion....The members of the Literary Club of the Pensacola high school elected officers last Friday evening. Those elected were Walker W. Thomas, president; Roy V. Surles, vice president; Miss Wheeler Ridley, secretary; Miss Leola Sunday, assistant secretary; Miss Lillian Hilton, chaplain! Isaac Shefield, sergeant-at-arms....Mr. H. H. Lewis has been on the sick list. His many friends will be glad to see him out again....The members of the Falstaff Social Club delightfully entertained at the Sunday's hall last Wednesday night. Quite a large number of merry makers were present and all reported a delightful time....The work was begun on the erection of the Mt. Zion Baptist new $20,000 church, which will be one of the finest colored churches in the city when finished. The same will take the place of the old one at the corner of Jackson and Alcanize streets....Mr. Ed. Rhone, one of the city's leading business men, has purchased the Midway cafe, formerly owned by Mr. D. Hogan. Mr. Rhone says the only way for him to succeed, is to get the patronage of his many friends, whom he will be glad to serve at all times....Mr. Judge Lee, accompanied by Mr. Matthew Long, of Mobile, Ala., arrived in the city last week, and will spend some time here....We return many thanks to our relatives and friends for the kindness which has been shown Mr. Burke Higgins during his illness and death. He was sick only two weeks. Mrs. Josephine Higgins and Family....Don't forget to report all of your news to the Thomas News Bureau, phone, 821. Walker W. Thomas, proprietor.

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Buckeye Lodge, No. 73, of Elks, will hold their memorial services Sunday, December 3, and the time, place and program will be in the next issue....Logan Lodge, No. 4, K. of P., will institute a class into the order December 9, and all members are requested to be present....Mrs. David Brannock underwent a successful operation at the city hospital on Monday and is doing nicely, and will be at home next week....Mr. and Mrs. Hudson expect to move into their new home on Mt. Pleasant street, the first of the month....Panis Hall is on the sick list....Mr. and Mrs. Norfolk James are in the city after a three months' trip up the lakes....Rev. and Mrs. R. T. Thomas are rejoicing. It's a girl....Mrs. George Marks, of Griffith street, is on the sick list....John Holmes Jr., is at home with the rheumatism, at Plum and Mt. Pleasant..The Louise Edwards Court of Calanthe, No. 30, will add a number of new members to their roll next meeting....The Eureka Club opened their series of dances in Deibel hall Friday evening, and it was a grand success. They will continue every Friday until further notice..Mrs. Thompson of Mahoning avenue, and Mrs. Gaines Williams are able to be about the house....The concert given by the members of Coleridge Taylor Choral Society at the St. John's church Thursday evening, under the direction of Charles Berry, for the benefit of the St. Augustine Episcopal Mission, was a grand success and was much enjoyed by all who attended. A neat sum was realized....Miss Rebecca Allen and James Alfred Winston were united in marriage at the residence of Mrs. Frances Huston, Sharon, Pa., Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, by Rev. A. C. West. The house was beautifully decorated for the occasion, and fifty guests were present and witnessed the ceremony. Frank Conway, of Youngstown, and Mrs. H. R. Wayne acted as best man and matron of honor. The couple received a large number of beautiful presents....The trustees of the Mahoning Avenue Baptist church met Friday evening and elected the following officers: Thomas H. Lonesome, president; W. M. Wright, secretary; Howard Thompson, treasurer; James Fagan, and Oscar Smith, inspectors of property, deacons, Philip Tucker, Gains Williams, Lee Porter, George Martin, William Warnick, William Franklin, Albert Woods; Rev. W. H. V. B. Taylor, pastor....The Chrysanthemum Club met at the home of Mrs. T. D. Berry, on Foster street Monday afternoon....Miss Mildred Turner, of Brownsville, Pa., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Raves, of North ovenue....Mrs. Reaves is on the sick list.

The Brooks-Smith Players

Open at the Crown Garden for Limited Engagement in Stock.

J. D. HOWARD.

SPEEDY SMITH

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THERESA BURROUGHS

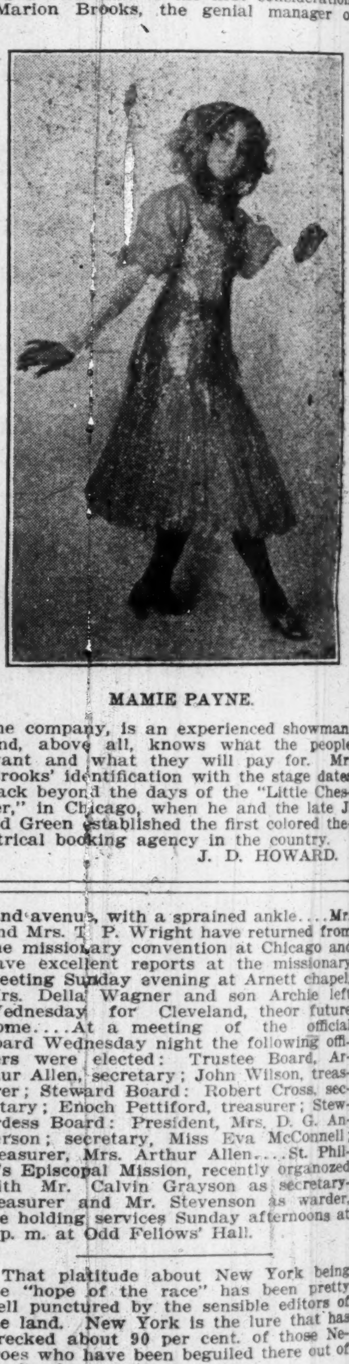
LEE & LEE
(JOHN) (PEARL)

MARION BROOKS-MGR.

PACKED HOUSES are turning out to the Crown Garden this week to see the Brooks-Smith Players in their stock productions. This company of singers, dancers and comedians have taken Indianapolis by storm. It was a serious problem for some time as to whether the town was ripe for an extended "stock" engagement. A trial has proved all things, and the answer is "Success." The Brooks-Smith Players are not a bunch of those painful "punks" barnstorming the country, but are comprised of a classy set of artists who are finished in the "shop game." A graduation to their ranks requires everything from a minor "stall" to finished character impersonations. The first stock presentation of the new company was "The Servant in the House." It was one of those romping, hilarious farces, full of everything that appeals to the "brother." Mr. Brooks shows much judgment in serving up this kind of comedy, for, after all, it is the masses that are to be pleased. The skit had an unusual breadth and scope of appeal to the fun-loving classes, who are not up to the solution of complex comedy situations. The "squallage" from the front was deafening at times, and the performers had to wait at different periods until the noise had subsided.

The individual members of the company are all deserving of special mention, a distinctly unusual circumstance in combination shows of this character. Aside from the two farces, a good, stiff olio was interpolated, which measured up to the best that has been seen in the house this season. Lee and Lee were bright lights in this department of the show. Their offering in the olio was a sketch called "A Bit of Stage Life." It was unique in that it was odd in construction and altogether different from anything seen at the Crown Garden since it has been a theater. The transformation of Madame Lee in full view of the audience from a scrub woman to a full-fledged and very good looking soubrette was one of the novelties of the act. It is to oe marveled at that not more of this stuff is incorporated in the work of the vaudevillians of the race, as the field is prolific of subjects that could be confined exclusively to the Negro's prominent men and women. Mr. Lee, of the team, has a strong tenor voice, which he knows how to use to advantage, and his work shows a finish that is convincing from his very first appearance on the stage. Miss Theresa Bourroughs proved to be a dainty and very winning little soubrette. She put over two very clever songs, namely, "I Am Looking for a Nice Young Fellow Who Is Looking for a Nice Young Girl," and "All I Want Is My Honey." Her efforts were liberally applauded. Simmons and Payne, an added attraction, were, perhaps, the best number in the olio. Miss Payne was without doubt the best dancer in character it has been my pleasure to look over for some time. She was particularly brilliant in her terpsichorean diversion as a Mexican senorita. She is in the class of Aida Walker and the Meredith Sisters, doing this kind of dancing, and earns all she gets, without the least semblance of suggestion. Her "Sunny Spain" will be remembered a long time in Indianapolis. The one song she offered, "Call Me Up Some Rainy Afternoon," was well received, and the dance accompanying it was a whirlwind "get-away." Miss Payne has traveled extensively and has covered in her theatrical career the countries of Mexico and Cuba. She is booked next week at the Monogram in Chicago. I must not omit Miss Ludel Price, who proved a surprise as a coon shouter. Her song, "That Minor Strain," was one of the big song hits of the show, and it was with difficulty that she got away from the audience. She was not mentioned prominently on the program, therefore the surprise of her work was general throughout the audience. Speedy Smith was the big noise as the chief funster of the aggregation. As a low comedian he made good with a vim. He is funny even to look upon, and his grotesque "make-up" kept the audience roaring almost continuously. He has a quaint style in his humor which distinguishes him from the rest, and his originality is apparent in all he does. By creating more than ten parts in as many farces Mr. Smith has placed himself in an envious notch in the scale of theatricals, and this very creative ability, backed by an uncommon genius, is sure to forge him to the front as a comedian of the first consideration. Marion Brooks, the genial manager of the company, is an experienced showman, and, above all, knows what the people want and what they will pay for. Mr. Brooks' identification with the stage dates back beyond the days of the "Little Chester," in Chicago, when he and the late J. Ed Green established the first colored theatrical booking agency in the country.

J. D. HOWARD.



MAMIE PAYNE.

LODGE AND SOCIETY NOTES OF BOWLING GREEN, KY.

(By J. F. Moxley.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

W. E. Houston addressed the Y. M. C. A. at the Odd Fellows' hall last Sunday evening, taking for his subject "Preparation for Service," and it was a splendid address for the occasion. An appreciative audience was in attendance....Little Miss Mattie Thompson was entertained last Monday evening with a surprise party by her friends. Many beautiful presents were received which brought joy and happiness. The arrangements for the surprise party were made at the residence of Mrs. Wesley Lynns, 110 College street. Among those present were Misses Mary Lee Smith Nancy Robinson, Agnes Carmans, Messrs. Edwin Potter, Jeffrie Helm and Elzie Potter......One of the nicest Odd Fellows lodges was organized last Sunday evening at Smith Grove, Ky., in a protem body by the Bowling Green lodge. The local lodge protem officers are as follows: Mr. Hubert Cook, N. G.; Thomas Arnold, secretary; G. B. LaRue, treasurer; George Patterson, N. F.; James LaRue, chaplain; A. S. Walten, V. G.; S. T. Barton, advocate; Henry Cook, P. G.; George LaRue, E. S.; James Allen warden; Charley Allen, I. G.; Henry Patterson P. N. F.; trustees, George Cook, J. F. Varghans, Henry Allen. The number of applicants was thirty-five, and by the time they are ready, the applicants will reach fifty or more. Many of the leading citizens from the surrounding neighborhood were present.......We are having some little discrimination on account of the recent election held in the city. Many of the white citizens have been aroused to much bitterness toward the colored citizens because of the stand of the colored voter and have discharged some of them in their employ. Several cases of this have happened before and after the election. Many were deprived of their vote because their names were not in the challenge book which was direct against their own interests, and there were many other happennings which I will not make known at this writing..The ladies of the C. P. church are preparing to give a Thanksgiving dinner and dramatic evening at the Odd Fellows' hall on College street, Thanksgiving Day.......The union Thanksgiving services will be held at the College Street M. E. church, at 11 a. m. The public is cordially invited to attend the service....Dinner will also be served at Taylor's Chapel A. M. E. church and a Thanksgiving in the afternoon. The public is invited to be with them on that day..Rev. J. W. Owsley, pastor of Crook Chapel C. M. E. church, has returned to Indianapolis, Ind., him home, for an operation. We wish him much success....Mrs. John Wilson and Mrs. Dick Gerder, 415 Kentucky street, spent last Sunday in Franklin, Ky., with their father. The trip was an enjoyable one....Mr. John Thomas McCorley, who has been traveling with the Buckham show, has returned home....Rev. A. W. Settle has sold his dry goods store to Prof. John Royster, who will put new life in the business. Mrs. Hester E. Moxley will move her millinery store into the dry goods store with Mr. Royster on Main street. Friends and patrons will find her ever ready and willing to give the best of service in the millinery business.

FORTUNATE IN HIS ENEMIES.

Col. Richard W. Thompson, our versatile Washington correspondent, who was recently promoted to an excellent position in the federal service, is vigorously assailed by our contemporary, and for what is not apparent. "If you don't work for us, you are necessarily agin us," seems to be the motive.

You can thank your stars, Colonel, for the enemies you have made.—Amsterdam News, New York City.

CENTRALIA, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. John Scott, of Chicago, Ill., is here visiting hos mother, Mrs. T. Scott....Mrs. Mather Reed has gone to Indianapolis to visit relatives and friends....Rev. Douglass preached at Elkville, Ill., last Monday night....The Second Baptist church will gove a Thanksgiving dinner on that day....Mrs. L. Smith and Mrs. Robinson were in Duquoin this week visiting relatives and friends....Mr. John Carneal is leader of the Home Bible Department Class....There os a beneficial men's club organized here....The O. W. I. Club met at the home of Mrs. Oliver Patrick. A large number of the members were present. The hostess served a very elaborate luncheon....The revivals at the Second Baptist church are conducted by Rev. McWilliams, assisted by Rev. Allison, the pastor. Some wonderful sermons have been preached....Mrs. A. Hinds is on the sick list....The hunters are having a good time now....Mr. T. Hinds was out last Sunday and brought on 25 rabbits; also Mr. Campbell brought in 17.

WEST BADEN (IND.) NEWS.

(By William Sibree.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The First Baptist church of West Baden celebrated the fifth anniversary of the pastorate of Rev. J. L. Mason. A lovely program was rendered by the members of the choir..Miss Marie Sebree entertained at breakfast Friday morning at 9 o'clock in honor of Mr. Louis Brown. He left for Indianapolis to spend the winter....Mr. John Wilson has been very sick, but is a great deal better....The friends of West Baden and French Lick wish to extend their sympathy in regard to Rev. Gaddie, of Louisville.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. James Miniser was called to his home in Byron Center through the illness of his father, George Miniser....Charley Allen is confined to hos home, 53 Cleveland avenue, with a sprained ankle....Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Wright have returned from the missionary convention at Chicago and gave excellent reports at the missionary meeting Sunday evening at Arnett chapel. Mrs. Della Wagner and son Archie left Wednesday for Cleveland, theor future home....At a meeting of the official board Wednesday night the following officers were elected: Trustee Board, Arthur Allen, secretary; John Wilson, treasurer; Steward Board: Robert Cross, secretary; Enoch Pettiford, treasurer; Stewardess Board: President, Mrs. D. G. Anderson; secretary, Miss Eva McConnell; treasurer, Mrs. Arthur Allen....St. Philip's Episcopal Mission, recently organozed with Mr. Calvin Grayson as secretary-treasurer and Mr. Stevenson as warder, are holding services Sunday afternoons at 4 p. m. at Odd Fellows' Hall.

That platitude about New York being the "hope of the race" has been pretty well punctured by the sensible editors of the land. New York is the lure that has wrecked about 90 per cent. of those Negroes who have been beguiled there out of the South.

By the author of
"The Souls of Black Folk"

The QUEST of the SILVER FLEECE

By
WILLIAM E. BURGHARDT DU BOIS

A story of the land "behind the veil," a story that will make you weep—and also make you glad of the fine, strong pen wielded by this champion of his brother in blood.

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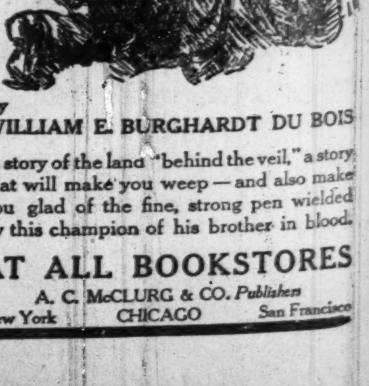

GOSSIP OF THE STAGE

The Christmas edition of The Freeman will have 'em.

Aida Overton Walker this week at Young's Pier, Atlantic City.

Some shifting of positions in the Indianapolis playhouses this week.

Nugent, the character comedian, is playing Philadelphia this week.

Epps and Loretta are playing at the Scranton Theater, Scranton, Pa.

Chicken Beauman is at the Lyre Theater, Cincinnati, Ohio, this week.

W. C. Hardy is now at 659 Jeanette street, Memphis, Tenn., this week.

Al. Boyd, appearing at the Virginia Theater, was a caller at The Freeman office last week.

Lonnie Stevens, of the Gentry Shows, is yet a success, and is at Brownsville, Texas, this week.

Wayne W. Burton is at the Airdome Ampitheater, Birmingham, Ala., this week, meeting with much success.

Avery and Hart at the Green Point Theater, Brooklyn, N. Y., this week are scoring a big success with their act.

Wanetta Wilson, who has been at the Columbia Theater, Indianapolis, has gone to Milwaukee for an indefinite engagement.

The Pewee-Tolliver Company will be seen in vaudeville in a few weeks with their big novelty, "A Servant's Holiday." This act is original.

DeWayman Niles, the contortionist, is making big its nightly with his marvelous feats of contortion with McCabe's Georgia Troubadours.

W. Henri Bowman, formerly of the team of Owsley and Bowman, is resting up at 3602 Forest avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Harry J. Earle, of the Sunflower Comedy Four, is now with that company at Salt Lake City, Utah, on the Jack Edwards time.

Raymond Thomas, rapid fire acrobatic, wooden shoe dancer, of St. Clair and Thomas, is spending a few days in Indianapolos, his home.

Daniels and Daniels, Lyon and Julia, are playing at the Savoy Theater, Memphis, Tenn., this week, and are making good. Hello, Kid Genis.

John W. F. Woods, ventriloquist, singing and dancing comedian, is on Indianapolis. He has joined the Brooks-Smith Players at the Crown Garden Theater.

The Christmas issue of The Freeman will embody the greater features of race endeavor. The stage will be set forth at its best. Get in it. It is an opportunity.

Thornton and Long are playing a return date at the Family Theater, New York, this week. They will play the Hamilton Theater, Brooklyn, N. Y., next week.

John and Lila Moore in character closed four successful weeks at Johnson's theatorium, Columbia, S. C. Will open November 27, Southern theatorium, Wilmington, N. C.

The team of Clinton and Gary has returned to Chicago after filling engagements as far as Chattanooga, Tenn. Madge was in Indianapolis for a few days last week.

The Happy Four, after playing four weeks over the Griffin circuit, have been booked over the Western Vaudeville. Open November 20 at Lydia Theater, Chicago, Ill.

Frank Kirk will open at the New Grand Theater, Chicago, the last half of the week of November 27. He has just closed a successful engagement at the Crown Garden, Indianapolis.

John Gertrude, formerly of the team of Gertrude and Jones, is going big at the New Moon Theater, Kansas City, Mo., this week. Next week at the Pastime, Muskogee, Okla.

The Smart Set Company, with S. H. Dudley, November 20 and 22, Rochester, N. Y.; Jamestown, 23; Franklin, 24; Rochester, Pa., 25; Grand Opera House, Akron, O., 27, 28 and 29; Lima, 30.

Billy E. Jones, the singing comedoan, is singing with great success this week "Rag Time Love" and "I'm Crazy 'Bout the Turkey Trot," also "Beautiful Doll," at the Lincoln Theater, Washington, D. C.

The Black Patti Company's route: Wichita, Kas., November 23; Arkansas City, 24; Ponca City, 25; Overolser's, Oklahoma City, 26 and 27; Ardmore, 28; Denison, Tex., 29; Bonham, 30; Fort Worth, December 1; Sherman, 2.

Manager Tim Owsley, of the Crown Garden, Indianapolis, is wreathed in smiles over his success. Earl Walker, manager of the prospective Walker Theater, is buoyant and hopeful. His mind is on opening day about January 1.

Nelson Parker, the well known Jew comedian, of Washington, D. C., has in rehearsal "Yiddisha Love." He is considered the best colored Jew character on the stage today. He has been engaged to play with the Fannie Taylor Dramatic Company.

The famous Ezra Comedy Four are being received with favor over the eastern whirl of the burlesque circuit. The members of the quartet are B. C. Brown, Charles Morris, Frank Poole and W. H. Spencer. This week at the Lyceum Theater, Washington, D. C.

Frank Kirk is booked to play Kenosha, Wis., first half of week of November 27, lat half New Grand, Chicago; week of December 4, Calumet, Mich., lat half, Escanaba; December 11, Soo, Mich., and Soo, Ont. Booked by W. F. Keefe and Thomas Burshill.

Don't you think you would appreciate a publication that is a complete directory of the colored performers? The Colored Stage Professionals' Annual has that in view, with other interesting features. Published by The Freeman Publishing Company. Inquire about it.

The new Walker Theater, of Indianapolis, will be one of the swellest playhouses in the country for colored patrons. The management has changed plans in instances in the interest of a beautiful house. The lobby will be done in marble and mahogany, the chairs will be special and of unique design.

Robert C. White, manager of the Dark Town Swells, who closed his show and went into vaudeville, has been meeting with much success. He has taken the management of the Acme Theater, Meridian, Moss., and had the building repaired, adding a new front, new scenery and is delivering some new songs. Jennings and Jennings are making awful good. Carlton Wright, the funny talker, is also doing well. Miss Emma Thornton is gettong her part of the applause.

The Crown Garden, Indianapolis, this week presents the Lees (Johnny and Pearl), Theresa Burroughs, Simmons and Simmons and the Brooks-Smith Players. The Lees do a clever act woth full stage, a take-off on an unfortunate player, who has lost his partner. Miss Lee makes up in front of the audience, giving a glimpse of the green room. Simmons and Simmons are clever, Miss Simmons particularly so. Theresa Burroughs is as she io styled on the bill. She puts it on right. The players are a success. They make the fun and you must laugh or go out.

LYRE THEATER, LOUISVILLE, KY.

(By Geo. Slaughter.)

The bill at the Lyre this week is a repetition of the one of last week so far as class is concerned.

The management is giving the patrons what they have been cryong for—a classical bill.

The bill opened with Prof. Parks, a magicion of rare ability. He delivered the goods in the big way. He is undoubtedly the best magician seen on these parts since the days of Herman. He is followed by Chicken Reel Beaman, a monologist too well known to mention his ability. His son, "Chicken" and his eccentric dancing scored a decisive hit. Taylor and Taylor were third on the bill, and their appearance alone brought a round of applause. The pair opened with the song "Band, Band, Band." Their costumes were gorgeous, and the male member of the team closed the act woth "Lasses Candy," featuring it to perfection. This act is one of the best seen in these parts. The bill is closed by Woody and Marshall, that dainty pair of performers. As they are favorites here, they were also received heartily. Woody attored as a boy scored a knockout with his hit, "Dine Daisy Rose," and Miss Marshall sang to advantage "Beautiful Doll." They closed their act with a novelty dance.

The attendance on Monday night was the largest ever recorded on a week night, regardless of the rumors afloat that the house was closed or about to close. Managers Hogan and Haley are on the job to stay and are entotled to much credit, as they are handling the house to advantage and also giving the patrons a strong bill weekly.

CINCINNATI THEATERS.

The Gaither—The Pekin.

The Clippers are the big headliners this week at the Gaither theater. This is the first opportunity the patrons of the Fifth avenue houses have had to see this team for over a year and they were received with popular favor. The Clippers are well-known here, where they have appeared several times, making new friends on each visit. They have a very classy singing, dancing and talking act and are drawing large crowds. Allen and Morton, two ebony "colored gents," are a new team on the street. The boys are funny, have good voices and are not afraid to use them. The act is one of thei classy kind that always gives general satisfaction. The house should do a very large businesss all week, with these two splendid turns.

The Pekin management held over Harper, Perkins and Stewart, with the promises of breaking, not only the records of last week, but all former records, for attendance. There have been many acts played here that displayed more art than this one, and were billed with larger headlines, but never has any act shown on the avenue given better satisfaction to the patrons or drawn more change into the box office, and that's what counts. The turn they are doing this week is best described as a riot. They hit the stage, make their bow and the people scream themselves hoarse until the curtain drops. There seems to be no special line of procedure, just do something that is funny. This style of producing comedy has made this trio big favorites wit hthe Pekin patrons, and if they can keep up this kind of work we will be able to use them for several weeks. Miss Lizzie Hart has returned to us after an absence of nearly two years, with that same sweet voice and winning smile that made her so popular on her former visit, though suffering with a very severe cold, she appeared more attractive than ever, and her reception was spontaneous, like the other act on the bill, we expect to hold her for a time.

Notes.

Mr. Bert Williams appeared at the Grand opera house during the week of the 13th, with the "Follies of 1911," one of the daily papers in speaking of the show, said Williams should demand nine-tenths of the salary of the entire company, because he deserves it.

Thomas and Ward are appearing this week at the Robinson's opera house, this city, on a nine-act bill. They are second to the last and the hit of the show. Mr. Thomas is putting on his Primrose turn in full, carrying his own drops and scenic effects.

Mr. Fred Smith, husband of Mrs. Marie Smith, formerly singer at the Pekin and Gaither theaters in this city and the Gem theater in Lexington, Ky., wa buried in this city last week. He died while traveling with his horses, in Memphis, Tenn. The body was shipped to his sister, Miss Lizzie Smith, of Carlisle avenue.

S. H. DUDLEY AND HIS NEW SMART SET COMPANY.

Rochester, N. Y.

The Smart Set Company, with S. H. Dudley in "Dr. Beans From Boston," is undoubtedly one of the best shows in which Mr. Dudley has appeared. They opened in Rochester, N. Y., Monday of this week to a house filled to the capacity, and Mr. Dudley was easily the funniest comedian that has appeared in Rochester lately, as his unimitable manner and droll actions kept the audience in an uproar of laughter.

The music of the show is always well received by all audiences; and William Vodrey, the musical director, is responsible for the same.

Miss Tillie Cottman is still with the show and is as charming as ever in her singing and dancing.

Mrs. Alberta Ormes Dudley assumes the character of Queen Sophenia, a renowned fortune teller, and makes quite a hit. She is getting so good in the part that S. H. is forced to go home early at night for fear she may be able to tell where he is.

Henry Troy as Larry Smith, the druggist, as usual is making good, especially in his song hit, "Memories." Dudley and Troy are responsible for the book of the show, for which they may well be proud.

James Burris is working with Mr. Dudley and is scoring heavily in each city. Although Burris is a Tennessean, he is making a hit singing "Virginia."

Miss Ella Bivans, late of Russia, takes the part of Madame Sahara Hartburn well, and looks the part at all times.

With the show are: Girls—Jennie Hellman, Ida Bluford, Bessie Walcott, Tillie Coltman, Hattie Burris, Emily Brown, Maggie Sewel, Rosena Alexander, Belle Morgan, Tillie Cottman, Miss Owens, Jessie Harris, Hattie Smith, Carrie Sutton, Lizzie Carrington and Marie Hendricks. Boys—Robert Williams, Arthur Wilson (Dooley), Billy Moore, Harry Watson, James Reed, Jas. Harris, Frank De Lyons and William Ramsey.

Hello, Whitney, Homer and Watty. Let me hear from you. Daisy Martin is kicking them. New show a scream.

Yours, RAMSEY.

WILL JOHNSON STAND PAT?

The entire orchestra at the Crown Garden, we are informed, has been given notice of their dismissal to take e:ect November 27, with the exception of Albert B. Johnson, the popular piano player, who is still an undecided proposition. Johnson is witout doubt one of the best liked musicians that has ever come to the city and his many friends are anxiously awaiting his decision as to whether he will be identified with the new theater orchestra or remain with the Crown.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC

CHICAGO WEEKLY REVIEW

By Sylvester Russell

Frank P. George Draws Out Society at Oakland Music Hall.

Frank P. George's Danabagay concert and dance took place at Oakland Music Hall last Tuesday evening, November 21, and as usual was a social event, as has been the rule with George's entertainments. The chief feature of the concert was not only centered in Mr. George himself, who appeared to good advantage in Ruby Coleman Fulton's one-act playlet, "The Miser," in which he again demonstrated his excellent dramatic instinct, in his conception and portrayal of the character, and in which Miss Fulton must be justly praised, both as a playwright and actress. But Mr. George had elected for his star Miss St. Clair White, the girl violinist. Our space will not permit of a proper review of this young artist, except to say that she pictures and paints the approach of genius, however emotional and eccentric her mannerisms temporarily may be. The first section of the Faust Fantaisle faultered in tone pressure on the finish and the rest of the number fell to the rank of indiscreet art. "The Swain" and "If I Forget" were, of course, instrumental dreams.

Madam Marie Burton-Hyram was the next star who shared equal honors with any, and I have always found her an artist in the classics. "Chanson Provencale," by Dell Acqua, not only proved her claim but her trills and cataracts were brilliantly executed; and "The Song of the Soul" was perfection.

Clarence Tisdale, the baritone tenor, appeared in good voice. "The Evening Song" was a splendid number, nicely conceived, and he sang two encore songs.

Eddie Gray, the little fat tenor, was also in good voice and sang his own ballad, "Every Heart Must Have Its Sorrow," with DeKoven Thompson as his accompanist.

Carl Diton, who had just arrived in the city and recently from Germany, was introduced and played a selection on the piano, which was not in the best of tune and did not set level.

Alexander C. Taylor also played a solo, both men being royally received. Mr. Taylor was also accompanist for Miss White, but hardly exacting, and Miss M. Gertrude aJckson's accompaniment for Mrs. Burton was excellent.

Garfield Wilson's orchestra gave excellent music; and the occasion, all things considered, was very creditable.

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Hottest Coon in Dixie at the Pekin.

There was a nice little surprise party in store for the patrons of Motts' Pekin Theater on last Monday evening, when "The Hottest Coon in Dixie" made its first appearance at this house. The company, which is a singing show, set a lively pace which must have electrified some of the drooping actors of State street. All the singing numbers were lively, and the costumes were neat and showy.

It was not a star show, as everybody worked in unison. Harry Morgan, a tall, slim comedian, with an excellent singing voice, and who was featured on the program, gave a very fair example of what is required of a comedian without exaggeration. The funniest thing that Morgan told us was that he could speak the Chicago, Rock Island and St. Paul language.

Bud Halliday, a neat and graceful straight man, with a tenor voice, made a good impression with a song called "Stellar."

William Jumper was clever in his character and specialty work with enlisted Miss Edith Norman.

Otis Benson was another clever character actor.

Miss Alma Richardson and Viola Harris were two presentable soubrets.

"Oceana Roll," "Way Down in Georgia" and "Alamo Rag" were lively numbers, and the circle dancing was clever.

There was a good prima donna who should have sang a solo, who led the chorus, and the work of the singers was ready money.

Among the performers were Al. Harris, Ernest Fagan, Henry Green, Gertrude Holden, Ruth Sprague, Stella Halliday, Florence Benson, Gertrude Banks, Evelyn Durkins, Walter aJckson, William Halliday, William Morgan, Fred Creasy, David Jay, Leon Creasy, James Mitchell, Irving Richardson, William Carrington and Alex. F. Wheeler. H. Dumas is manager of the company.

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Butler May Scores in New Role at the Monogram.

One of the finest bills of the season is on at the Monogram Theater. The Mays, Butler (String Beans) and Sweetie, in a new act, that was quite legitimate, won heavy applause, and their singing and dancing took higher rank than ever before.

Warfield and Campbell shared honors with Beans, especially Manzie Campbell, one of the funniest loud-voiced comedians in the business; and Mr. Warfield's dancing was of the modern expert buck and wing and was highly in order.

Rosa Lee Tyler, the well-known mezzo-soprano-contralto, far exceeded expectations and was in better voice than she has ever been since the days of Williams and Walker. Her repertoire was the finest she has ever had single and would go good in any first-class theater.

Eloise Johnson and Hattie Hardee were a team that made good. Miss Johnson is already a favorite at this house, and Miss Hardee made her professional debut as a soprano singer. Her voice is rich in compass, the middle register carrying a mezzo tone of much sweetness that gives great promise. She has an excellent stage appearance but will have to strive hard by study, practice and observation to become an actress.

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Josephine Saxton's Dixie Kids at the Grand.

Duke Brennon, up to the job at noonday, sprung something new upon us in the way of colored performers. Miss Saxton, a well-known vaudeville performer, a white lady, introduced a real set of dancing wonders of unequal size and equal merit, except the little miget fellow, the cleverest of all, who is destined to become a future "big one" of his race.

The Indian finale presented the little brave warrior across the stage in art Indian style, and Miss Saxton, who is pretty, looked nice in red; and it was comical to see the miget in a love scene toward her.

The Woodens was a colored bicycle team that was clever, and something new; and let us rejoice if Brennon has discovered where to find 'em.

The all-white acts imported the Garden City Trio, with the funny man, which played a return date, and possibly can play another.

The Atlantis, Fisk and aJck, a bulldog, won out in a globe and juggling act. Stone and Hayes were also on the excellent bill.

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Uncle Tom's Cabin at the Phoenix.

"Uncle Tom's Cabin" in picture, following the "Two Orphans," was the bill for Thursday at this house. The illustrated songs are attracting people who like to join in the choruses.

A memorial to Robert Allen Cole was recently given at St. James Presbyterian Church, New York City, under the auspices of a literary and historical society. J. Douglas Witmore, the well-known lawyer, presided. When Mrs. Shelton, of Georgia, spoke on "Georgia's Contribution to the Church" at Dr. A. J. Carey's anniversary last Tuesday eveninfi, the mention of Bishop Turner was loudly and just applauded, but I regretted that Bob Cole's history at that moment belonged only to the stage, even if his ghost haunted the effulgency of Georgia on that occasion.

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The following people are at the La Verdo Chinese restaurant: Odessa Crosby, Katie Winter, R. M. Cooper, Dave Lewis, Clarence Jones and Will Ables.

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Miss Mabel Gant and Joe Sandifer are at the Premier Theater. Miss Gant is a most charming soubret, whose stage walk and presence are fascinating.

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John W. Cooper, the great ventriloquist, is playing west over the Pennsylvania circuits. He was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Silas Enly at Wilkes Barre, Pa., recently.

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Miss Jennie Eldridge and her Chocolate Drops, four boys who are very good singers, and dance well, opened last Tuesday evening at the Monogram for the rest of the week.

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The report that Marsh Craig has met with a serious accident not only proved to be without foundation, but gave his family an awful scare. The fact that Mr. Craig had been booked at the Grand and his pictures were up after he had canceled the engagement, added much strength to the rumor.

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Harry Goodman's Samsoan Girls Quartet appeared at the Lydia Theater on the West Side for three days, opening November 13, on the Western Vaudeville Association time, and were a hit, Helen Goodman scoring heavily in her character impersonations. The girls are all good singers. The act includes Maude Brewer, Julia Russell and Helen E. Dawson.

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Stray Tips of the Stroll.

The Tuskegee Club of Chicago will meet Sunday, November 26, at 3 p. m., at 4440 Langley avenue. A. H. Roberts will deliver an address. The occasion will be visitors' day, and the public is invited.

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Mr. Rollie W. Green, the undertaker, who has been completely indisposed with lagrippe for the past two weeks, was fast on the road to recovery at this writing.

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Rosamond V. Fortson and Octavia Johnson, formerly of Atlantic City, N. J., have been secured to entertain in one of the State street cafes.

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The St. Paul Inn, 3212 State street, has for its entertainers Miss Nettie Lewis, Evelyn Joiner and Blondy, the pianist. Billy Jones and Bob Corrothers are the mixologists. Harry Taylor, formerly of Indianapolis, is manager, and Phil E. Reed and Raleigh W. Thompson are proprietors.

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The new Occidental pool and billiard hall, which opened last Saturday at 3142 State street, has become immediately popular. J. H. Wright, the tailor; R. Whiteside and H. Brame are the proprietors.

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Dr. M. J. Brown, whose new offices are located at 3000 State street, is said by Dr. H. M. Martin, Chicago's greatest eye specialist, to have written the greatest paper ever prepared by a student of optics. Dr. Brown is an aculist and not an optician by any means, as only a physician can treat diseases of the eye, determine its defects, if any, and correct such abnormal conditions as may exist.

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George L. Douglass, formerly of the Globe Comedy Four, has arrived in Chicago from the Pacific Coast. Mr. Douglass, who frequents the Marquette Club, sang a solo for his friends one night, and since that time he don't dare come in unless they torment him for a song. He is one of the finest bass singers in the profession, a message which goes with the critic's indorsement.

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Louis K. Gilbert Dead.

Louis K. Gilbert, of 3552 State street, Chicago, Ill., died last Saturday morning at Provident Hospital of a complication of diseases. When his health failed he went to West Baden Springs, but was brought back in a fatal condition. The funeral took place at Olivet Baptist Church on Wednesday, November 22, Rev. Dr. Fisher officiating. Mr. Gilbert was formerly a showman, being connected with Gideon's "Hottest Coon in Dixie." He was also bartender at the Pekin Theater up until the time of Mr. Motts' last illness. He was 45 years of age and leaves a wife and relatives. Mrs. Johnson conducted the funeral. Mr. Gilbert was a member of a secret organization which took charge of the body.

SPOKANE, WASH.

Anita Patti Brown Touring the West.

On November 2, 1911, Mme. Anita Patti Brown was booked to appear in a song recital at Spokane, Wash., under the auspices of the Vernon Art Club of this city. As she had never come to this far off clime before, I was selected to learn of her and report. These are the things I learned then and know now.

Mme. Brown was staging westward from Denver, at which place she was compelled to re-appear under different managements to appease the desire of the Denverites to hear her. At Colorado Springs, under the same conditions she likewise gave two recitals. With the knowledge I had previously acquired through the medium of The Freeman, of her, I reported to the ladies of the Vernon Art Club that they should consider themselves extremely fortunate to have arranged for her appearance in recital here. She has come and gone and left amazement, laudation and amity in her route. Her ease at singing and her natural rhythmic rhapsodies co-incident with her articulation, are most admirable accomplishments. Then, too, in her voice is a melody that is resonant, rich and lulling, and carries a purity of tone that closely approaches perfection.

This notice to the public would not do her justice if I failed to mention in Mme. Anita Patti Brown those admirable qualities of pure lady-hood that are so often wanting in the womanhood of our professional women. She is versatile, and very intelligent as well, and should be accorded the most polite respect by all those who chance to meet her.

According to her present itinerary it covers the following engagements: At Portland, November 9, 10; address 1522 Fourteenth avenue. At San Francisco November 12 to 17, address 21 Cook street. At Bakersfield, November 19, 20, address 1025 O street. At Riverside, Cal., November 21 to 23; address 331 East Eleventh street. At Los Angeles, November 23, 24, and from that city she will go home and later go to New York, and sail from there for Jamaica, leaving there February 1, for the Bermuda Islands, and return to the States in May, 1912. This information may aid those desiring to write to her.

W. R. MOTEN.

THE McKINNIE THEATER,

The Merry Howards and Philip Austin, known as the "peculiar trio," are now in their third week here, with two weeks to follow, closong on December 9. They were most heartily received on their opening night, November 6, this being their second time at the McKinnie Theater.. They have become favorites in old Augusta town, as theor work ever pleases.

Maggie Dixon, singing soubrette, opened on November 13, and she is working nicely. She is taking several encores nightly.

The Matthews (Julia and Nellie), the soubrette and child contortionist, have closed a very pleasant three weeks.

Zeb Mantigault, the dancing comedian, is with us, and he is holding his own nightly.

The management is very well pleased with the class of shows that is beong put on by Ed L. Howard, who took charge of the stage December 6.

All is well at the McKinnie.

COLUMBUS (KY.) DOTS.

Mr. Monroe Shelby, an aged citizen, was found dead at his home Saturday and was interred Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m. Mrs. Etta Magrum, Miss Neoma Webster, Messrs. Blaine Canty, Warren Brown are on the sick list....Moss Mary Epps died Tuesday and was buried at Locust Grove Wednesday afternoon....Rev. David V. Bohannon, principal of the Columbus public schools, visited Bardwell and Clinton on business last Saturday and preached at the Wickloffe Baptist church Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. to the expressed delight of his splendid congregations....The Allen C. E. L. of the A. M. E. church met as usual Sunday at 6 p. m. and an interesting program was rendered. The subject, "How I Love the Bible," was opened by Miss Beatrice James, who was followed by many of the members present. Subject next Sunday will be "Bread of My Lofe," led by the pastor, G. W. Alcorn....The public school is preparing a rich Thanksgiving program for Wednesday evening, November 29.

KANKAKEE, ILL.

Mrs. Ida Johnson, of 97 Rosewood avenue, entertained a number of her friends at her home Friday evening at cards. Refreshments were served and all had an enjoyable tome....A social was given at the home of Mrs. Kitty Bryant for the benefit of the organization of a Baptist church. Rev. Patterson, of Franklin, Ill., is the present pastor....Mrs. Liza Miller, who has been very sick, has greatly improved and is able to be out again. Mrs. Dora Willoams, of Champagne, Ill., spent a few days with Mrs. Lettie Smith.

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Day, Geo.
Edwards, Junk L.
Hicks, E. J.
Jordon, Joe
Kitchen, Logan.
Mores, J. Francis.
Reed, Frank
Moore, Billy.
Miller, Frank.
Spyglass, J. Elmer.
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Stovall, Wallace
Tobias, John T.
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Taylor, George.
Willken, Bill.

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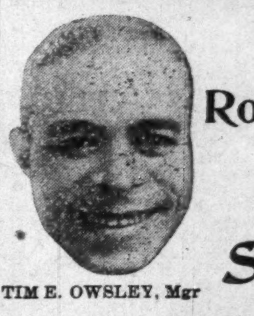

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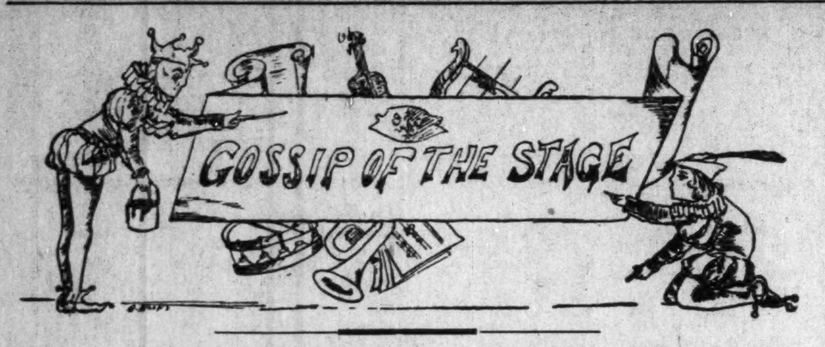

The Washington Quintette, Howard C. Washington, manager, is having great success.

Happy S. Lockhart and White have just closed two weeks over the Crawford time. Now with Barrett Stock Company.

The Hamiltons, James and Willie, are now finishing their Western vaudeville engagement, and will shortly be seen in the East.

Fred Newsome is still staging the J. C. Miles Famous Sunflower Comedy Company. Now at Leesburg, Fla., and having success.

Elizabeth Benson, a recent graduate from the musical department of the University of Pennsylvania, is touring the country as a pianist under Grant S. Williams, of Philadelphia.

Nora Goff has joined the "Smoky Mokes," owned and managed by Ed Wynne. They are working the Polack time and are making good. The little lady is singing "Angle Worm Wiggle" and "Jassamine," and is good as the best of them.

Juanita Austin, formerly with Buffalo Bill and Pawnee Bill, had an operation performed in Boise, Idaho., at the St. Alphonsus Hospital. It was a very serious one, although she had one of the best known surgeons in Boise. She is getting along finely now; is able to be up and walking around again. She spent four weeks at the hospital. She says they were four weeks to be remembered. She would like to hear from Mr. and Mrs. Harry Robinson. Regards to all friends in and out of the profession.

FRANK HENDON INFORMS STAGE-STRUCK GIRLS.

Dear Hendon—Two or three weeks ago a lady by the name of Miss Gant dined Mr. Russell, the critic. She wore a very fashionable gown on that evening, which she says she doesn't like and will sell for a song. I've bought lots of things with songs, as they call it, but you know that means a small sum. Why don't the professional ladies come right out and say what they want for their clothes, instead of whipping Satan around the stump? However, I'll sing the song, but I must sing one that she will be carried away with. Then she will not be hard on me. What song would you advise?—Irma.

Answer: Sing "Go Easy, Mabel."

Dear Hendon—Mr. William Taylor, director of the Lyre Orchestra, Louisville, Ky., is such a fine story teller. He has two stories that are "peaches," which he tells to all stage-struck girls. William takes more pains with us than you.—Romantic Rose.

Answer: That's all right, Rose, but can William Tell Overture?

Dear Hendon—They say U. S. means Uncle Sam. Now, who in the world is Uncle Sam?—Goldie.

Answer: He was once a member of the Cole & Johnson Company.

THE SOUTHERN THEATORIUM, WILMINGTON, N. C.

The Southern Theatorium opened to a crowded house last Tuesday. Each performance was witnessed by large audiences, and the manager, Mr. Spillman, wore the smile that never comes off. It was a good show and everybody went away well pleased. The show opened with a big chorus, "The Candy Dolls," which the two ladies were like, and closed with a big drill, "Miss Fit Army," which was a scream from start to finish. Then came the olio, opening with the well-known Happy How, with his laughable song and dance. As you all know, he got his share of applause. Then came Madam Rosetta Brannan and her famous "pick." Master Daniel Perkins opened the double with Iven Berling's latest song, "Alexander's Ragtime Band." Then they put over some good hot jokes, and little Daniel knows just how to hand them out to make the audience laugh. Then Rosetta sang her big song hit, "Billie," and then little Daniel came out and sang his parody on the hobble dress. They closed the double with a quick change, featuring that big song hit, "Porto Rico." Then came Miss Rosa Groves, the little woman with the big voice, singing her late parody on "Some of These Days." She takes the house by storm. Then came Mr. Frank Dukes, with his monologue and dance. He is there with the goods. The show closes with a big act, introduced by Madam Rosetta Brannan, "The Girl from the Golden West."

THE BLOOD-KOHLER MUSIC COMPANY CLOSES ITS DOORS.

Hastiness of Albert J. Dean Disrupts the Firm.

By Sylvester Russell.

CHICAGO, ILL., SPECIAL.

The Blood-Koehler Music Company, which opened up in business with a flourish in the Randolph building, 145 North Clark street, several months ago, by Blood & Koehler, has permanently closed its doors. After the firm had secured the selling rights of DeKoven Thompson and Alfred Anderson's song "If I Forget," through the influence of Will Dorsey, leader and pianist at the Monogram theater, they at once set to work to branch out in business. When Edward H. Koehler, whose parents are wealthy, had sunk about $3,000 dollars into the enterprise, he pulled out and gave his share in the firm over to Albert J. Dean, a somewhat thrifty advertising manager. Will Dorsey, who had a studio of his own on South State street and who was already serving as arranger for the firm, was enticed by Mr. Blood to come into the company as a stockholder, as the only colored member in the enterprise. When the new firm was established the letterheads read as follows: Benjamin Blood, president; Edward H. Koehler, vice president; Will Dorsey, treasurer; Albert J. Dean, secretary, and one or two other names. Mr. Blood's honorable name and methods of doing business stood for credit, but in spite of the fact, it was intimated that Dean was trying to get control of the business and in some mysterious way had won Dorsey over from his good friend Blood as well as others, and fearing Blood, tried to force him out. It was also rumored that Dean intended to get control of the business and then force the colored man Dorsey out also. The new firm was poor; the stockholders had scarcely any income that did not belong to their creditors, even out of the large deals that were made for sales of "If I Forget," the company's only bread winner. When Messrs. Thompson and Anderson, owners of the copyright, heard rumors of what was coming off, DeKoven Thompson at once took Will Dorsey into his confidence regarding the contract, but could not convince him. Mr. Dorsey was so much wrapped up in the white man, Dean, who by his hypnotic power, overthrew everything, that he would not listen to the arguments of Thompson and Anderson, two men of his own race, whose positions prove their ability. Then the firm discovered that their contract with Thompson and Anderson had been misplaced. When Thompson and Anderson called for the contract, Messrs. Dean and Dorsey refused to give up the selling rights which held good on the same contract duplicate held by Thompson and Anderson, but their lawyer forced the firm to give over "If I Forget" within twenty-four hours. After Mr. Blood had been forced out of the firm, credit ceased and their creditors demanded their money and forced the company to close its doors. The Herald Rossiter Music Company has secured the selling rights of "If I Forget" from DeKoven Thompson and Alfred Anderson, and the demand of sales stil lcontinues to be large. I called in at the Rossiter office for an interview, and found the news to be authentic.

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Knocking and Knockers.

In the Philadelphia Inquirer, under the caput of "Old Sport's Musings" may be found the following sentence: "If you can't boost, don't knock." This same should be indelibly engraven upon the minds of every theatrical performer.

Knockers are of many varieties, animate and inanimate. In times past, a heavy metal substance hanging near the outside center of a door, which, when lifted and let fall, collided with another piece of metal fastened upon the door, was called a knocker, and signified to those within that some person without, wished to be within.

The top timber of a door frame, built below the regulation height, coming into sudden and violent contact with a man's cranium has been called a knocker, and other names.

A pugilist, feinting with the left, then quickly upper-cutting with the right to the jaw of an opponent, leaving the adversary to repose in the arms of Morpheus, may rightly be called, a knocker.

J. Franklin Baker, champion swatter of the Philadelphia Athletic baseball team, who knocked the peerless "Christy" and other Giant pitchers from the box while incidentally knocking a hole in the aspirations of the New York Giants, for the world's championship, is rightly styled, some knocker.

Theatrical performers who find it difficult to say a good word for or about their fellow players, that lose much valuable time, which could be applied towards the perfecting of their own talents, in an effort to rob others of rightful merit; come under the category of knockers.

The chief occupation of a knocker is knocking. Knocking, when freely indulged becomes an insiduous disease that spreads with frightful rapidity.

Knocking is far more contagious than its antonym, boosting.

Knocking germinates in envy and becomes virulent when fanned by jealousy.

Knocking is also the chief weapon employed by the incompetent to advance their interests and retard the progress of their more strenuous predecessors.

Those most susceptible to the disease of knocking, are inefficient managers, stars that have lost their brilliancy, actors who have seen better days, singers that no longer sing, disgruntled chorus folk, mediocre vaudevillians, plagarists, has-beens, would-bes and the never-was.

Knocking, like the Australian boomerang, invariably returns and smites the knocker.

There is no legalized law to prohibit knocking nor fixed punishment for the participation therein.

There have been instances where the recipient of many knocks, has arisen in righteous indignation and smote the knocker hip and thigh; but after sufficient time for convalescence had expired, this procedure only inspired the knocker to greater efforts.

Hard work, with much study and perseverance has been known to effect a permanent cure.

Who would be a knocker?

Mrs. Goodioe.

The Goodloes, who recently made a hit at the Monogram in Chicago, are pronounced by Sylvester Russell to be one of the funniest teams on record.

STAGE NOTES.

The Colored Stage Professional's Annual will be in the interest of the colored show people. It intends to be a complete work on the colored people of the profession. A line on every colored performer in the world, making a who's who book, published yearly and worth having. The best illustrations on the best paper. To be published by The Freeman Publishing Co. A separate and distinct publication. Inquire about it.

NOTES FROM J. M. BUSBY'S MINSTRELS.

By Thos. Thompson.

We are still in Texas, doing a swell business, showing to packed houses nightly. The show was strengthened in Galveston, adding three new members to our company—Buddie Hellum, Mr. Nicholes and Miss Ruth Crosby, a sweet-singing little soubrette.

Kid Singleton, Doc Ward, Nicholes, Simon Jones and Buddie Hellum keep the noise a-going with their funny songs and jokes.

Miss Effie Moore, May Armstrong, Lena Hulet are still with us and send their best regards to all friends. Charlie Smith is without a doubt a sweet baritone singer and is singing successfully "Down by the Old Mill Stream." Prof. Timmons has one of the best twelve-piece bands on the road.

Willie Hulet and Hamp Harper do certainly slip and slide the trombones.

Prof. D. C. Scott, music-writer, and director of the orchestra, is busy daily arranging new music.

Everybody is happy and send best regards to the Pringle bunch.

Thos. Thompson is still doing the center. Would like to hear from Charles English and Dan Hull.

HORNE'S GEORGIA MINSTRELS.

This company, with Young Buffalo's Wild West, closed the season of 28 weeks November 1 at Hopkinsville, Ky., with a very successful season.

We closed with same people that we began with except two, and one of these dropped dead.

Our alto player and comedian, R. L. Davis, dropped dead from heart failure at Barnesville, Ga., October 21, which was regretted not only by the minstrel show and band, but by the whole show in general.

On account of not being able to get in touch with Mr. Davis' relatives, we had to bury him at Barnesville, Ga. A donation of $78.40 was contributed by members of the show to cover the burial expenses.

At 4:30 p. m. Sunday evening the funeral procession started from the morgue, led by the Cowboy and Cowgirl Band, playing a funeral dirge. Following the deceased was the colored band as pall-bearers. Next was Young Buffalo and our side show manager, A. L. Salvail, and his wife, and every man and woman connected with the organization.

This was Mr. Davis' third season with Horne's Georgia Minstrels, and he was Mr. Horne's right-hand man and stand-by, and no one regrets his death as he does.

Roster of the bunch that closed with the show: A. L. Grayson, tuba; G. W. Ross, trombone; J. Reed, alto; W. Moore, bass drum; J. Johnson, baritone; J. Brooks, R. L. Horne, J. Taylor, snare drum; T. Boone, solo b-flat cornet; W. L. Horne, cornet. Mrs. W. L. Horne, interlocutor.

PAT CHAPPELLE DEAD.

Well-Known Theatrical Manager and Proprietor Loved by All Who Knew Him—Embraced the Hope—Touching Services at Funeral.

TAMPA, Fla.—All that is mortal of Patrick Henry Chappelle, who died at his home, on the corner of Union and Johnson streets, on October 21, 1911, was borne by loving hands to Memorial cemetery Sunday, October 29, and laid to final rest by the side of his mother, who preceded hi mto the grave just a few years ago.

The funeral services were held in the Bethel Baptist church, and were attended by a concourse of people that literally filled all space in the aisles and every approach of that spacious auditorium. The funeral party, composed largely of members and friends of the family, and escorted by about five hundred Free Masons, was headed by the Welcome Cornet band. Many carriages in which were seated the family and friends, ministers and the honorary and acting pallbearers, and others, made up this procession as it moved through the streets viewed by thousands of people.

This was not the funeral of a stranger nor was it the funeral of one who was little known. In city and state and all over the South, the name of Pat. Chappelle was familiar.

The services at the church were imposing and altogether impressive. The Rev. J. E. Ford, D. D., pastor of Bethel, was assisted in the services by Revs. James Johnson, William Nobles, Grand Master J. H. Dickerson, D. M. Baxter, D. D., and J. M. Deas. The choir rendered a service that was a distinctive feature of the occasion.

The story of this life and labors of this young man, who had just reached his forties, was fittingly told by Dr. Ford, who afterwards delivered a discourse that was peculiarly touching. His experiences at the bedside of the deceased, whose spiritual adviser he was formed a marked section in this discourse, ending in the christian's climax, the confession of Mr. Chappelle. Nor did Dr. Ford fail to admonish all in the big audience to beware of delay in the preparation for death.

Equally interesting and impressive were te words of Rev. James Johnson, who had in his life married and buried more than half of the Chappelles, including the father and mother. His long standing and intimate acquaintance with the family fortified him with facts and incidents that rendered his discourse necessarily interesting. As was true of the first speaker, so did the Rev. Mr. Johnson speak with galling frankness. He to had been the spiritual adviser of the deceased.

The great effort he found necessary to have Mr. Chappelle think seriously on matters religious gave a thrill to all who listened. But out of this hopelessness came the declaration of the fact that in his case again was the efficacy of the power to save any and all was made. Mr. Chappelle embraced his Saviour and died in a living faith.

The Rev. Dr. Baxter spoke briefly along the lines of those who preceded him, and Grand Master Dickerson made remarks emphasizing the fact that life is uncertain and short.

Many passed by and took their last look at the face of him whom they knew so well. The solemn burial service by the Masons was led by E. H. Williams, a Mason of high degree, assisted by Mr. Sherman Earle and W. A. Moore.

The long procession to the cemetery was begun, and all went well, reaching there after dark. The burial service by the Masons was there finished and the body interred. The handsome casket was of royal purple plush. The grave was vaulted and made secure by a massive stone slab.

Prof. E. W. Jackson, the photographer, made a picture of the cortege as it left the residence and as it entered and came from the church, and also made a picture of the casket in the house.

Tus as passed one of Jacksonville's young men who had won fame in his line of business, and had amassed a fortune of which any man would be proud.

In the discourses of the ministers the marked devotion of the faithful wife and the devotion of that mother who showed her love only as a mother can, were spoken of with all praise. Mr. Chappelle's illness became apparent about one year before his death. What he did to reclaim his health, his friends know. The sorrowing wife, brothers and sisters all have the deepest sympathies of friends from all sides.

The interrment was by Geter and Baker, who rendered excellent and ample service.

CARL DITON AT HAMPTON.

HAMPTON INSTITUTE, Va., November 12.—A few evenings ago Mr. Carl R. Diton, a well-known pianist of Philadelphia, gave a recital in Cleveland Hall chapel.

Mr. Diton, a former student in the University of Pennsylvania, and a pupil under Constantine Sternberg, has just returned from abroad where he has been for a year studying under private instructors in Munich, Bavaria. Since studying abroad Mr. Diton has shown wonderful musical improvement along the lines of force, subtlety, refinement and sympathy. These qualities, together with a practical and theoretical knowledge of music, enabled him to present a fluent style, well under control and at the same time void of over-extravagance. In some parts it seemed as if there might have been an expression of more power and concentrative force. But throughout the performance there was an appearance of an even and blending flow of harmony.

Among the most important numbers with which he pleased the intelligent and appreciative audience were Bach's Fugue in C minor, studies by Chopin, including "Nocturne" in B major, and Liszt's "Eroica" and Brahm's "Sonata" in F minor. In the allegro of Brahm's "Sonata" he was able to bring out in a very forceful manner the chime-like tones of the cathedral bells, while the finishing passages of the same number were blended together in a smooth and harmonious trend, each movement gracefully gliding into the next movement. In executing the Slav note in Chopin's "Nocturne" Mr. Diton displayed much sympathy, and in this number as well as in Brahm's a quality of much elasticity, especially in a liquid form, was given to trilling and garniture in general. Mr. Diton's work, without doubt, shows that he has the ability to grasp the problems of the numbers he rendered with intellectual penetration. He also clearly demonstrated that he has the power to give an intimate expression of the beauty in such music.

Others who performed during the recital were Prof. Tressler Scott, the vocal musical director at Hampton Institute. Before taking up his work at Hampton Prof. Scott studied abroad for several years and had a studio of music in Carnegie Hall, New York City. Prof. Scott, who has a clear, rich baritone voice, sang several solos which at once proved to the audience that he is a complete master of his voice. Miss Adelaide L. Hutchins, also a music teacher at Hampton Institute, put the flavoring touches to the evening program by rendering several choice soprano selections. Natural talent, together with years of training under the best masters, has given Miss Hutchins a sweet, bird-like voice that has brought pleasure and inspiration to thousands of people. Miss Lina F. opley, secretary to the principal of Hampton Institute, and one of the best pianists in this section of the country, played the piano accompaniments for Miss Hutchins, while the accompaniments for Prof. Scott were played by his wife.

W. H. H.

WHAT WILL BE DONE WITH OUR THEATERS.

An important feature in the Christmas number of The Freeman wil lbe the department given over to the various colored theaters in the country. Matters of news accompanied by illustrations of the theaters, the owners and managers, will occupy space in this number. Write us about it.

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IN THE FIELD OF SPORT.
BY HAROLD C. McGRATH.

The "Dixie Kid," the colored welterweight pugilist, the other night, in Liverpool, knocked out Johnny Summers, the British fighter, in the second round of a scheduled twenty-round contest for the welterweight championship of the world.

The University of Langston football team, Langston, Okla., played the Logan County High School team, the 11th. The weather was very disagreeable. In spite of bad weather the university team won, 5 to 0, making one touchdown in three minutes.

Ad Wolgast, champion lightweight pugilist, left Chicago the other day for Los Angeles, where he will fight Freddie Welsh on Thanksgiving day. After that fight he will leave for a trip around the world, going first to Australia. "I have given up hopes of getting another match in this country for a year," he said. Wolgast said that he had not met any representative of McFarland in Chicago.

"I have just received a letter from a friend in London to the effect that Jack Johnson actually has retired from the ring," said Tom O'Rourke, in New York, last week. "I cabled to my friend while I was manager of the Royal Athletic Club to interview Johnson, and offer him $25,000 to box ten rounds with either Langford or Jeanette. When the heavyweight champion received this proposition he stated that he could not accept it because he had quit the ring forever. Incidentally he turned down an offer of $30,000 to box in Australia. Johnson also informed my correspondent that he did not care who claimed the heavyweight title; that he considered it open for competition and he didn't intend to dictate his successor."

SOME HIGHER CRITICISM; OR, PHILOSOPHY OF THE FIGHT THAT FAILED

A Johnson-Wells Resume—The Big Ones Off for Australia.

By Billy.

Jack Johnson, the champion heavyweight, according to excellent authority, paid tribute to the power of the preachers when he said: "They have put the front rank fighters out of business." He had in mind the scheduled fight with Wells in England, but which was frustrated owing to the energy of the London clergy. He had also in mind the status of the game in his own country, saying: "We shall never see another great fight like those of the old days, or like that at Reno, with big stakes, tremendous attendance, and world-wide interest." The very reputable journals, the Congregationalist and Christian World, of Boston, and the Christian World, of London, England, in commenting on the situation of pugilism recently, had the following in support of Johnson's prophecy:

"Mr. Justice Lush granted an injunction against the lessees of Earl's Court, and on Thursday the two boxers and the promoters of the fight gave undertakings in the police court, to which they were summoned on a charge of contemplating a breach of the peace, that they would not persist with the contest. The promoter of the combat undertook not to promote any contest between Johnson and Wells at any place within the British islands. Johnson undertook not to box with Wells anywhere within the British Empire. Some idea was entertained of transferirng the combat to Paris, but Johnson has announced his retirement from the ring after fulfilling his music hall engagements. The credit for frustrating the Johnson-Wells match is due to Rev. F. B. Meyer, who, as secretary of the National Free Church Council, mobilized the Christian forces of the country against the combat, and took active steps to make the opposition effective. One consequence of the protest against the Johnson-Wells contest is an outburst of popular disgust in America against the savage prize fights under the guise of boxing matches which have been taking place in Madison Square Garden. The license of the club which promoted the fights has been forfeited. The South African press indicates great satisfaction in that dominion at the frustration of the combat between Johnson and Wells."

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Following what may be considered a fair position from the viewpoint of morals and Christianity, based on what is held the brutality sometimes exhibited in prize fighting contests, comes this rather discordant note:

"It is quite possible that some who were eager to stop the prize fight in London are equally eager for dividends from South African investments, where a far more degrading contest is going on, involving the exploitation and debasement of millions of their fellow-beings."

Thus a third element enters, that of commercialism, beyond that of Christianity or morals and the quietude of the races, thus sewing up most effectually the future hopes of notable contests between white men and black men in England. And perhaps throughout all Europe the same condition will obtain, since most of those countries have holdings in Africa or a sphere of influence. Meaning, of course, in time, if not now, the repetition of the same problems, and on gigantic scales, such as America has never known, and owing to the vast millions and the dense ignorance.

It goes without saying that the proposed fight has served to further complicate the racial situation wherever existing conditions made it possible. The objection to the Negro beating up a white man, based on the possible harm to invested capital, sounds chimerical to those that do not take the trouble to think. Yet we had a near analogy in our country before the war. Had a Negro and white man proposed fighting for a physical championship, the protests that would have gone up would have made interesting reading. The South African situation is not greatly removed from that of the Negro in the United States before the war. South Africa practically belongs to England. We may think of the position as very selfish and anti-race, but capital and state take time by the forelock as it concerns the conservation of their interest.

The Cleveland Gazette, of Cleveland, O., discoursing somewhat philosophically under the caption of "The Truth Out at Last," in a recent issue, said, anent the situation:

"The plain fact was, in the case of England, that the spectacle of a Negro whipping a white man would give too much encouragement to the blacks of the English provinces, in several of which that country was and is having more or less trouble to keep them subjugated. The same thing is true in the case of the whites and our people of the South. Protests against permitting the Johnson-Wells fight in England were sent to that country from South Africa."

The Gazette gives quite a survey of the question of races in other countries, stating general truths as are generally known. However, it appears that the philosophy of the situation has but recently dawned on the editor, judging by the caption, "The Truth Out at Last." The truth plainly presents itself, if we conclude that racial relations are similar around the globe, a fact patent for years.

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And still another phase of commercialism enters, according to another writer, who opposes from a new angle of observation. He says:

"They have thought of the mere pommeling and bruising as the brutalizing thing. Whereas the really ugly feature of this and so many other forms of professional 'sport' is its sordid and cold-blooded commercialism. An atmosphere of pursy blackguardism tends to gather round the prize ring and race course and football ground alike."

This idea is merely incidental, and also picayunish, not rising to the dignity of a worthy element. The sport idea is not to perish from the face of the earth because some men use it as a gambling propaganda and as an opportunity to vent low and vulgar natures. In other words, none of that is essential to sport. Football, baseball, automobiling, are decent enough in themselves; they have decent followers, many more decent ones than otherwise. A little police surveillance can easily shear the games of what the writer holds to be the ugly features. These gone, and there would be but small reason for the congregation of blackguards spoken of.

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Some may think of this matter as a "much ado about nothing." It is different, and particularly true as it concerns England's dependencies of colored peoples. The moral side is a mooted question, being subjected to the way the sport idea is presented, by the way the games are conducted and so forth. The best thought of England has been enlisted in the war of words anent our Negro, Jack Johnson, and, of course, simply because he stands for a portion of an idea. Here follows some discriminating thought that an ordinary individual would not think worth the while:

"The fact may want some explaining that in all humanitarian questions the 'non-conformist conscience' seems to be more sensitive than that of the historic church. The outcry against the Earl's Court match has come chiefly from the former quarter, while priests—with a boxing club, probably, among their parochial institutions—have been found hand in glove (literally) with pugilists. It is not quite fair, perhaps, either to modern dissent or to its seventeenth-century forerunners, to quote Macaulay's pleasantry about the disapproval of bear-baiting by the Puritans. They disapproved it, he said, not because it gave the bear pain, but because it gave the spectators pleasure. Those grim people would have replied that pleasure is demoralizing. Their less ascetic descendants only say that the pleasure of fighting—to drink delight of battle with one's peers—or of watching fighting, demoralizes. They are, in a word, humanitarians, and it is a common reproach against the church that she is less readily moved in that direction."

A little opposing opinion, as will be noted, but all growing out of the controversy that shook old England from stem to stern.

Dr. T. Rhoudda, a Congregationalist preacher of Brighton, England, sounded a note in accord with that of the advanced Negro thinkers of America, when he asks, in the Christian Commonwealth of England, "Will the forces that came together to stop the fight remain together to stop the terrible treatment which the white man is dealing out to the black?" The interrogatory is indicative of an injunction that we of this country have been made to understand stood for England on the race question. This, however, before her own problem grew to such proportions. As it is, the best wisdom is to see similar conditions there, in the black possessions, as here, and wage a universal war for the Negro's uplift, regardless of his whereabouts, with the thought in mind that the part will not transcend the whole. The elevation of the Negro in America will be influenced by the elevation of the Negro in Africa.

Poor, innocent Jack Johnson and his Reno have brought forth this world discussion, and perhaps for the better. What has been brought out had a latent existence, and which would out at some period, sooner or later.

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HOPELESS AS A WHITE HOPER, SAYS CORBETT

Tulsa's Big Pug Short of Steam in Punching Geyer—Referee Applies Brakes.

NEW YORK.—Carl Morris, the Oklahoma giant, again failed to qualify as a real white hope on his second trial, when he went against Jack Geyer, the Denver stalking horse. Although Morris won, as referee Charlie White stopped the bout in the ninth, fans are to-day expressing the opinion that they might have fought until morning, and Morris would never have put his man out. Geyer was helpless after the first round, but Morris could do nothing more than cuff him around the ring.

As huge and ponderous as when he met Flynn, Morris failed to give the impression that he had improved at all, and James J. Corbett declared him hopeless as a white hoper.

If the Tulsa white hope had had any sort of a sting to his punch he would surely have knocked out the Denver man in the first few minutes. There was no snap to the big fellow's blows, and he could not even score a knockdown. Morris landed an almost unaccountable number of punches on the jaw of his rival, but they were more in the nature of cuffs than punches, and all they did was to puff Geyer's face up and make him look unpresentable generally. At times Geyer staggered a bit, and it looked as though oMrris had him on the verge of a knockout, but he did not know enough to follow up his advantage.

OFFICERS INSTALLED.

Mosaic Templars of America.

Little Rock, Ark.

The Mosaic Templars of America were installed by the National Grand Master and M. H. Harrison, at U. B. F. Hall, Ninth and Magazine streets, Little Rock, Ark., Thursday night, November 16.

The following are the officers of the Columbian Temple:

O. G. Duff, Mosaic Master.
Charles Scott, Aaronic Master.
Charles A. Powell, Secretary.
John Mayo, Assistant Secretary.
P. E. Reese, Treasurer.
D. Leroy Ferguson, Chaplain.
J. E. Smith, Warden.
John Bowman, Marshall.
Robert Neighbors, Inner Guard.
J. H. Lewis, Outer Guard.
Marshall B. Taylor, Past Worshipful Mosaic Master.
Henry Hampton, Past Aaronic Mosaic Master.
Henry W. Chenault, Past Mosaic Master.
Dr. J. A. C. Lattimore, Administrator.
Dr. E. S. Porter, Medical Examiner.

Dr. R. B. Scott and Dr. J. B. Sanders will receive recommendations for appointments by the National Medical Examiner. As the Uniform Rank department will be in need of a Surgeon General as soon as the Uniform Rank company is organized, Mosaic Master O. G. Duff will be appointed Brigadier General for the State of Kentucky. Three other positions will be filled from this division by the Major General and the Commander-in-Chief of the Uniform Rank Department of the Mosaic Templars of America. Twenty-four State officers will be appointed by the National Grand Master and State Grand Master M. H. Harrison for the jurisdiction of Kentucky. Louisville will have her quota of State officials. The following are the officers of the American Chamber:

Mrs. Willie Francis Lewis, Worthy Mistress.
Mrs. Josie White, Aaronic Mistress.
Miss Lucy DuValle, Secretary.
Miss Pearl White, Assistant Secretary.
Mrs. Mary Richmond, Treasurer.
Mrs. Martha Smith, Chaplain.
Miss Mamie E. DuValle, Warden.
Miss Georgia Lattimore, Marshal.
Mrs. Matilda Dean, Inner Guard.
Mrs. Fannie A. Robertson, Outer Guard.
Miss Eva DuValle, Past Zipporah Mistress.
Mrs. Ella Reese, Past Aaronic Mistress.
Miss Helen DuValle, Past Mistress.

The public is invited to the installation of these officers. From among this list of officers will come some of the State officials who will compose the State Grand Lodge of Kentucky. This dispensation is still open for the new temple to be named after the Louisville Defender, and for the new chamber to be named after the city of Louisville, and which will be Louisville's beauty. Weekly meetings will be held at the Y. M. C. A. rooms Tuesday and Thursday nights of each week, where members will be received for one dollar each. Mosaic Master O. G. Duff, who is pushing the Uniform Rank Department, together with P. E. Reese and other associates, will receive a nice plum from the National department as soon as the division of Kentucky is organized and put in full strength of thirty-two men, and a company with the uniform regulations, approved of by the Commander-in-Chief, Major General and Adjutant General. The Mosaic Templars are to be commended upon the selection of the membership and officers of these two lodges, for among them are to be found some of the best citizens of Louisville. Mr. J. B. Cooper and Marshall B. Taylor are to be commended for the assistance rendered the National and State Grand Masters in organizing these two lodges. Mr. Marshall B. Taylor is also slated for a very important position in the State Department.

The National Grand Lodge, by the recommendation of the National Grand Master, is arranging to send for two organizers who are well experienced in the work of organizing, and who will in the near future put in fifty lodges in the State of Kentucky. We are very thankful to Miss Lucy N. DuValle and Mrs. Willie E. Lewis, as well as a number of other worthy ladies who have assisted us in organizing in the city of Louisville. Mr. Charles A. Powell, the efficient stenographer to the National Grand Master, has rendered his part in the organization of the two lodges. He is the Worthy Secretary of Columbian Temple. We expect great things of the official staff of the two lodges. Brother Charles Scott, who holds second place in Columbian Temple, will render much assistance in bringing in new members to his lodge. Brother J. Smith played a very important part in the organization of Columbian Temple. The National Grand Master will leave on the 20th of November for St. Louis and Kansas City, Mo., and will return December 1, to open headquarters in the city of Louisville for ninety days, and be in active command of the organizing forces on the field.

WHAT THE SAGES ARE SAYING.

Bishop Clinton for Jeanes Fund Board.

Bishop G. W. Clinton, of the A. M. E. Zion church, should, by all means, be invited to have a seat on the Jeanes Fund Board as the successor to the late Bishop Grant. He knows the South and the needs of its people better than any other man mentioned in connection with the administration of this fund for the benefit of our rural schools. It should be Bishop Clinton, of course.—Texas Freeman.

The Shepard Ministerial Conference.

The ministers of the country should turn out en masse next July at the National Religious Training School, Durham, N. C., and make the Shepard Conference a red-letter event in the history of the race. Dr. J. E. Shepard has extended the hospitalities of his school for a week, without money and without price, to all who will come and lend their aid toward the solution of the problems that beset the Negro people. Economism, civics, moral uplift, sanitation, hygiene, social service, reform in home life and education of every type will have a place on the rich and varied program. The conference will open July 6, but those who plan to take part should notify Dr. Shepard at once to enable him to make the necessary preparations and formulate his order of exercises.—Florida Sentinel.

The "Bryant Idea."

The plan of Ira T. Bryant to consolidate the printing plants of the A. M. E. church at Nashville, Tenn., is growing in favor among the solons of that denomination. It will be endorsed by a big majority at the Kansas City General Conference next May.

The idea is to have a big printing establishment at Nashville, where the work of the Book Concern and the Sunday?School Union and the literature of the A. M. E. church can be printed, with a distributing office at Philadelphia, in lieu of the present arrangement. Concentration of effort begets efficiency, and efficiency in results, with a minimum of friction, is the order of the day in the world of business.

It is preferable that the printery should be in the South, where labor is less expensive than at the North, and where the cost of living is not nearly so great.

Mr. Bryant's "idea" will win.—Richmond Reformer.

LIQUOR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

There's Too Much, but the Nations Don't Know Just What to Do.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

CAPE TOWN.—A report is about to be made to the British Colonial Office on the drink question in British Africa. A temperance movement has already been started, and it is hoped that in many of the States legislation may be introduced to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquor to natives, while it is urged that the Colonial Office similarly deal with such States in Africa as are not under the jurisdiction of United South Africa.

Even from so far northwest as Nigeria and northeast as British East Africa and Somaliland, to say nothing of the nearer regions of Rhodesia, Buchuanaland and the Transvaal, comes the same story; the physique and morality of both whites and natives are being undermined by the frightful consumption of liquor, which, aside from wines, beers and cordials, is said to amount to ten million cases of spirits a year, principally coming from Hamburg.

It is thus argued, if merchants are allowed to continue their importations of spirits, the German government will have no difficulty in a few years in taking what territory it pleases in South Africa without any fear of local resentment or opposition.

Last year there passed through Lagos, southern Nigeria, one million cases of Hamburg gin and rum, which were destined to be retailed to the natives. A pathetic feature of the liquor trade in Nigeria is that nobody really wants it, but, paradoxical as it may seem, nobody can get along without it. The government detests the trade, as it recognizes the evil results, but, like the opium trade between China and India, it makes a merit of necessity because it must have the revenue. An investigation has proved that the South African native of Nigeria or elsewhere does not at present crave the drink, but the merchant sells it because he is driven to offer it as a sort of premium by competition.

CANADIAN MINERS OBJECT TO IMPORTATION OF NEGROES.

WINNIPEG, Manitoba — Conferences between mine operators and miners in session all last week at Frank, Alberta, adjourned last Monday, because of the threatening attitude of mine workers, who object to the importation of Negroes from the United States. There was incipient rioting and serious trouble was averted only by the presence of the police and provincial constables.

As a number of Negroes brought from West Virginia jumped from the train, the police were on hand to prevent them. A crowd followed them down town, throwing stones. A Negro suddenly turned on his pursuers and opened fire with a revolver. The police side-stepped and the mob rushed upon the Negro. He was verevely beaten.

More trouble is anticipated, as more strike breakers are arriving. The government of Saskatchewan has notified the Department of Labor at Ottawa that it finds the coal shortage in Saskatchewan to be 200,000 tons, as a result of the strike. A fuel famine seems inevitable.

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CITY AND VICINITY.

Mr. Earl Walker is in the city again.

Mrs. Mayme Black is visiting in Muncie, Ind.

Mrs. Jennie Cooper is on the sick list this week.

Mr. J. D. Cooke has returned from Arkansas.

Mrs. Alberta Gray is in Chicago for a few days.

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Mr. Frank Walters, of New Albany, was here this week.

Mrs. Pearl Reed is at home after an absence of six months.

Mrs. George Buckner, of Cleveland, O., is in the city indefinitely.

Mrs. Samuel Rogers is visiting her mother in Frankfort, Ky.

Mrs. Cora Freeman is visiting in Louisville, Ky., this week.

The Woman's Club will meet with Mrs. Minnie Scott Monday.

Miss Alice Wright is the guest of relatives in Frankfort, Ind.

Mrs. Beadie Durham has gone to New York to locate permanently.

Mrs. Laura Day, of Shelbyville, Ind., spent last Sunday in this city.

Miss Carrie Martin, of North Vernon, Ind., spent Monday shopping here.

The East End Needle Club met with Mrs. Ada Goins Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Beatrice Jordan is slowly improving at her home in West Walnut street.

Mrs. Anna Hayden, a well-known cateress left this morning for Miami, Fla., for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. George Minor left on Wednesday for St. Augustine, Fla., to spend the winter.

Mrs. Mary E. Johnson, of Chicago, is the guest of Mrs. Alice Gransell, in West Fourteenth street.

Messrs. Clarence Lewis and Walter Mack were in St. Louis several days last week on business.

Mrs. Minnie Floyd, in Bright street, was hostess to a four-course luncheon Tuesday afternoon.

Messrs. Harry Johnson and Leroy Williams went to St. Louis this week to remain indefinitely.

Mrs. Roscoe Clarke has suffered a relapse and lies seriously ill at her home in Agnes street.

The Ladies' Auxiliary, of Lincoln Hospital, will give a card party at the Dumas Club Monday evening.

Dr. J. B. McInham, of Lexington, Ky., passed through here en route to his home from Chicago, Monday.

Mrs. H. R. Reece, of Chicago, will spend Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. James Brannon, in West Tenth street.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Moore, in West Michigan street, have as their guests, Mr. Robert Brown and family, of Chattanooga, Tenn.

Misses Katie and Lucile Banks entertained a number of friends at whist Monday. Dainty refreshments were served in three courses.

The Young Ladies' Club was the guest of Miss Mabel Baker, in Blackford street, Thursday. An enjoyable time was spent by those present.

Samaritan Court, No. 37, will celebrate its second anniversary Monday evening at Pythian Hall. A program will be rendered and refreshments served.

Mrs. Belle Davis, in North West street, will entertain at dinner Tuesday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. William Bradley and Mrs. Mary E. Johnson, of Chicago.

Mr. Samuel Carter, of Louisville, Ky., a well-known railroad man, spent several days in the city as the guest of Mr. Elwood C. Knox and other friends.

Wm. E. Scott, the artist, formerly of this city, but now studying in Paris, France, under O. H. Tanner, will spend the winter sketching in Spain and Africa.

Rev. S. Samuels, the newly appointed pastor of St. Mark's temple, 1717 Shelby street, is awakening things there with his soul stirring sermons. Come and hear him.

The White Rose and Blue Ribbon Club will hold its first annual dinner at the residence of Mrs. Mary Cheatam, in North California street, Thanksgiving Day.

There will be a grand Thanksgiving dinner at St. Mark's temple, 1717 Shelby street, Thanksgiving day from 1 p. m. to 7 p. m. Dinner 15 cents. All are welcome to come and spend a joyful time with us. Concert at night.

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Miss Cora Brown, in West Vermont street, was accidentally run down by an automobile in the downtown district and was seriously injured. She is being cared for at her home.

The forty-fifth anniversary of the Second Christian Church will be held Sunday, and will be followed by a reception to the pastor, members and friends Monday evening.

Sergt. W. H. Brice, Company D, 24th Infantry, was a pleasant caller at The Freeman office last week. The sergeant will sail for the Philippines from San Francisco December 5. He was the guest of Madam McNairdee Moore.

Mr. William Bradley and Miss Emma Bradley of Chicago, were united in marriage at their home in Rural street, Tuesday evening. The bride was beautifully attired in white, and delicious refreshments were served after the ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. T. A. Smyth.

One of the most enjoyable affairs of recent date was the birthday surprise party given by rs. Allen Simms in honor of her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Walden's eightieth birthday, Thursday afternoon, November 16. About thirty-five of the city's most prominent citizens were present, and the fourth generation of Mrs. Walden's relatives was represented. Mrs. Simms was assisted in receiving her guests by Mrs. ittie Minter, Stella Fisher, Ella Posey, Retta Moss, Jennie Taylor, Edith Blankenship, Nora Roberts, Roxie Bell and Ella Walden. The ladies present were Mrs. Julia Pierce, Nellie Allen, Alice Puryear, Josie Porter, Sue Smoots, Allie Cheatham, Fannie Hill, Mattie Harvey, Nancy Stewart, Mrs. Butler, Holt Warfield, Mrs. Ed. Harris, Mrs. Clay Willis, Mrs. Williams, Jesper; Mrs. Etta, Alice Matthews, Jessie Armstrong Fretwell, Susie Lewis and Allen Smoots.

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Sunday school 9:30 a. m. Mrs. Laura Thompson will sing "My Good Old Mother's Religion" in connection with the 11 o'clock service. Following this we will go to Fall Creek, where the baptizing will take place. The choir of St. Philip's chapel will render the music for the evening service. The chainmaking will end. Sermon and Thanksgiving dinner Thursday.

GREAT GAME FOR THANKSGIVING DAY.

What will be the event of the season will be the great football game between the All-High School boys and the Columbia League squad on Thanksgiving Day at Northwestern Park gridiron. The game will be called at 2:30 o'clock. All society and athletic enthusiasts will be out in large numbers, more especially the ladies.

Coach Ward Wilson, of the All Highs, has put his boys in splendid condition and expects a hot game and an easy victory as well. Mr. Wilson is said to be one of the best authorities on the game in the State, and also has the reputation of being one of the best players in the West, having a long list of victories to his credit. The Columbia League team promises to spring a great surprise on the public by defeating the All Highs.

Edward S. Gaillord is manager and has made arrangements to have special order and protection for ladies and children attending the game.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The monster meetings of the colored Y. M. C. A. are attracting the attention of the best colored men in the city. Splendid addresses are delivered every Sunday by strong speakers. The K. of P. Hall makes an ideal place for the meetings. The doors are kept closed until the program starts, the men gathering in the waiting room and enjoying a social time prior to the meeting. Promptly at 3 p. m. the orchestra plays the opening march, and the men march in and take their seats. The musical program follows, and the whistling and singing of the men are enjoyed by all. Sunday Rev. John Brice will be the speaker for the occasion. Rev. Brice will be enjoyed by all, as he is a splendid speaker, being much at home before men. He is a graduate of Knoxville (Tenn.) College, and had charge of the school at Athens, Tenn., after spending some time in South Carolina. He comes to Indianapolis to become a part of the religious life here, succeeding Rev. D. F. White as pastor of Witherspoon U. P. Church. Mrs. Pearl Reed Cleage will be the soloist and will render a solo before the address. All men are invited to be present. There is no charge of admission, and all men, irrespective of religious belief or church affiliation, are welcome.

The Tuesday Night Bible Club reorganized last Tuesday night with a goodly number in attendance. The following officers were elected: F. B. Ransom, president; H. Daniels, vice-president; George Hardin, secretary; Omer Perrin, assistant secretary, and John W. Howard, treasurer. All men are invited to attend this class, which begins at 6:15 p. m., with supper, which costs only ten cents. The class closes at 8 p. m. Rev. Weaver is the teacher. All men come.

BETHEL CHURCH IMPROVEMENTS

Work of Additions and Alterations to Cost Over $1,600.

Members of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal church are making extensive improvements on their church property at Fourth street and Park avenue. The improvements when completed will cost over $1,600.

A basement has been made under the lecture room, and a coal room, kitchen and toilet rooms being in this part. The basement under the auditorium is being lathed and plastered and finished. A new furnace is being installed. Gas is being replaced by electricity throughout the edifice and parsonage. The opening between the lecture room and auditorium is being enlarged so that the space of the lecture room can be utilized for a large audience. A new flue adequate in size for a large furnace is being erected. To offset the weight of the heavy roof, tie rods will span the auditorium through the buttresses. The auditorium will be revarnished and decorated.

The plans for these improvements were drawn by Archie N. Hubbard and A. W. Stoolman is the general contractor. The work is to be completed by November 25, when the members will have a church edifice of which they may justly feel proud, and which will be a credit to our race and the city.

The Reulenities, a division of the members who are engaged in a financial Thanksgiving rally, are arranging a series of socials to aid them in their campaign. They will give a musical program and social at the home of Mrs. Sarah Wilson, on East Tremont street, Thursday evening. Captains Sarah Wilson and Queen Penney are in charge of this affair. Tuesday, November 21, the entire division will give a concert and social at the nights of Pythias hall on North Market street. A good program is being arranged. The managers of this entertainment are: Program, Mesdames Fanny Brown and Queen Penney; refreshments, Mesdames Mary Moore, Kate Riley, Dessie Hillard, Sarah Wilson. The proceeds of the Thanksgiving rally is to be largely applied upon the building fund. Archie Penney is leader of the Reubenities....Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Morgan, of Evanston, Ill., spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Luster Johnson.... Miss Willie M. Jones, of Paxton, is here visiting Miss Jessie Jordon, 107 North Market street......Mr. Roy Young, the coach for the Northwestern football team, was in Champaign Saturday when Northwestern played Illinois. Illinois defeated Northwestern 27 to 13.

LOGANSPORT, IND.

Mrs. Beard has returned to her home in Hamilton....Mr. Turner is doing a nice business in his barber shop....Mr. Taylor, agent for The Freeman, would loke to hear from James Green, Dr. Dupee and also Dick Tiderton, from Evansville, Ind. Answer 302 Fifth street.

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The First Annual Conference of the Colored Farmers Are In Session at the Normal Institute—Dr. William Amiger, President of State University Delivered an Address in the City—Bonds of Matrimony to Be announced—Personal and Social News.

By Hardin Tolbert,
425 Washington St., Old Phone 654.

Frankfort (Ky.) Special.

The colored farmers' conference, which met at the Normal Institute November 22-23, was one of the most successful meetings that has ever been held in this city. President J. S. Hathaway, of the Normal Institute, conducted the meeting with that executive power which has called him back to this institution over a hundred applicants. He was the chief cause of the success of this conference. Many of the people were surprised to see so many in attendance at this conference and they brought with them some of the bst products that they raised this year. Hundreds of premiums were awarded for the best products. Many of the farmers who could not read or write gave excellent ideas by which they raised such successful crops and told of their methods of farming and porved some of the scientific methods not to be so good as the old time methods. This meeting brought more of the farmers together and encouraged the young people to take up agriculture in a better way than anything that has been presented to them before along this line of industry. They were shown the plain methods by which they could increase their earnings. Many who went just to see what was going to be done were thoroughly convinced that they would go back to the farm and get from the earth some of the rich products which they left without any reason or cause simply because they thought they could earn more in the towns for their work. But heir town life has proved a failure, and from this conference many of them made up their mind to go back to the farm.

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Dr. William Amiger, the president of the State University, at Louisville, arrived in the city Saturday night and was escorted in a hack by some of the prominent citizens to the residence of Mr. T. L. Brooks, the well-known contractor, who erected the $10,000 building for the Odd Fellows and the $75,000 building for the Normal Institute. Dr. Amiger visited the churches in the city and delivered a lecture at the First Baptist church. Dr. Amiger is a graduate of the State Normal School in New York, Lincoln University, Pa., and the Theological Seminary, Newton Center, Mass. From a psychological standpoint Dr. Amiger was called to this institute as an apostle of God. The Lincoln Institute in this State is backed up by the wealthiest men and women in the world, who are willing to put plenty of funds there for the benefit of the students and that the head may have his vacation and enjoy all the luxuries of life after his task a man may provide for his family, just for being at the head of this institute. Permit me to call your attention to the Stae Normal, of which every axpayer or renter is the foundation of its existence. Thousands of dollars are appropriated each year by the Legislature, a fixed salary is set by the trustees and backed up by the State of Kentucky to the president and faculty, and whenever a president resigns hundreds of applications are sent in by some of the best educators of this country, knowing that if they are elected they will enjoy the highest distinction of any job held by a colored man in the State. I am permitted to call your attention to the only Negro institution that is run by the exclusive funds that are collected off the Baptist churches in this country, and whose principal support comes from the majority of the people. When a poor wash woman goes on Monday to get her washing, brings it home, most of the deather is of such a nature that by the time she gets the clothes out about half dry there comes up a wind and blows soot all over them, and the modam is forced to wash the larger portion of them over and wrench them in the house of two rooms, as the majority of the mhave, with five or six children to be educated and fed. The husband on account of the weather does not get in but two or three days a week and once out of three times in the majority of cases he gets drunk and leaves the burden all on the mether. The children unable to protect themselves and the mother pays her grocery bill the best she can, and with that love of God and her church instilled in her heart, puts perhaps 10 cents in the church and one penny to the State University of which Dr. Amiger is president, to pay the expenses of the institute. Kind readers, I leave it to your judgment wether any man or woman who can get a better position like this worthy man whom I have mentioned isn't called as an apostle from God to do missionary work in or out of their own land. The people of this city will always extend the greatest hospitality to such worthy characters.

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There has been made public to your correspondent several marriages, which will be announced later in this paper. A hint to the wise is sufficient, but no names will be mentioned as yet. A prominent chauffeur with a former school teacher, a prominent dancing master with a popular young lady, a prominent young man on the square with a young lady whom he has been waiting on for over ten years, a prominent divorced trap drummer to a young lady, a professor on the hill to a teacher in the same institute, who is a graduate of one of the Southern colleges, and whose home is in Louisville; a prominent head cook at the Capital Hotel to a grass widow, a prominent business man to a lady, former editor of a paper in Louisville; a prominent heavyset man, dark compiection, dresses nice, and a waiter at the Capital Hotel, spends his money freely with a popular young lady in the city; a prominent doctor of Versailles with a former Frankfort girl in Chicago or a Frankfort girl; a prominent barber with a school teacher, a prominent Louisville newspaper correspondent to a Frankfort school teacher, a prominent second waiter at the hotel with a popular young lady, a professor at Harrisburg to a music teacher of this city, a prominent young man who plays classical music to a young lady, five prominent young men of the Capital City Social Club with four young ladies—a contest between two young men; three prominent young men of the Alhambra Club with three young ladies, a prominent professor at the Normal to one of the graduates of the class of '11, a prominent professor at the Normal desires to live in solitude after the refusal of a Midway girl and a former graduate of that institute, a prominent young man in the city to the youngest teacher on the Normal faculty, a prominent professor at Hodgesville to a school teacher, a prominent business man to a grass widow on the Normal hill.

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The Capital City Social Club is making splendid progress under the management of Mr. Robert Hall and Miss Caroline Taylor in their new play, "Tobasco Land."

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Miss Mattie Green, who has been very ill with the asthma, has received many deeds from her friends, Mrs. Mary Bailey and others, who have been constantly at er bedside, seeing to her needs. Miss Green is loved by all who know or know of her. She is a resident of Long Lane avenue.

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Te Young Ladies' Art Club of this city met at the residence of Mrs. Taylor and Miss Caroline Taylor was elected president. Te club consists of twelve young ladies.

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Mrs. Mary E. Davis spent a few days in Louisville visiting friends.

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Miss Momeare Mayson, of this city, died Saturday morning at 1 o'clock at the age of 23 years. Her funeral was held at the First Baptist church Sunday at 3:30 o'clock, conducted by Rev. W. T. Silvey.

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r. Sim Handy died at the age of 50 years. His funeral was held at the First Baptist church Sunday at 2 p. m., conducted by Rev. W. T. Silvey.

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Miss Elonera Brown, a popular young lady, spent a few days in Lexington visiting friends.

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Mr. John Clark, a postal clerk of Louisville, passed through the city en route home.

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Mrs. Martha Miller, of Bagdad, and Mrs. Hattie Vaurn, of Farmdale, were in the city the guests of Mrs. Fannie Mitchell.

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Mrs. John Lewis, of Indianapolis, and Mr. Henry Steward were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Boyd.

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Mrs. J. B. Bradley and son, of Chicago, are in the city, the guests of her mother, Mrs. Martha Washington.

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Mrs. Charlotte Perkins left for Chicago to reside.

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Miss Geneva Richardson left for Louisville to spend a few weeks with her friends.

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Mr. Mosby, who has been sick for quite a while, is still very ill.

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Mr. Oliver, after a fe wweeks' illness, is able to be out.

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Mr. Augustus Harris is very ill with stomach trouble.

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Mrs. Francis Harris is improving after a few weeks illness' with fever.

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Mrs. Addie Smith is a little better after a severe attack of la grippe.

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Mr. and Mrs. Chester Colerne and son are in the city to be the guests of Dr. and Mrs. McFatridge. Mrs. Colerne's maiden name was Miss Julia Allen and she is a graduate of the Normal Institute.

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